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Po Hing Fong Disaster Claims

Four Houses, Some 400 Huts FLAMES RAZE BUILDING IN K'LOON

Five houses on Po Hing Fong, and some 400 squatter huts on a vacant piece of land on Tai Ping Shan Street, were gutted by a fire which broke out in one of the huts shortly before 7 p.m. last night.

All the inmates of the five houses on Po Hing Fong escaped but it is feared that some of the occupants of the huts were trapped. Up to a late hour last night no casualties were reported.

Jet Plane's Flight Thrills Hong Kong

Thousands in Hong Kong were thrilled yesterday by the first flight over the Colony of the RAF Vampire jet.

The plane was piloted by Flight Lieutenant Francis, of the Central Fighter Establishment in England. The power and manoeuvrability of the jet plane were fully demonstrated by the pilot in a daring series of aerobatics over the island and mainland.

Flight Lieutenant Francis took the Vampire up shortly before midday from Kai Tak. Circling over the aerodrome, the plane unrolled sections of its wings and covered the runway and climbed vertically.

Once the pilot flew through the hills surrounding Kai Tak with his starboard wing tipping eastward.

The Vampire took off again in the afternoon and flew over the island, thrilling thousands who had taken up positions along the Connaught Road.

Prayer and those at the Races. Skimming low over roof tops and weaving through the ships in the harbour, the jet plane gave a unique show.

The weather was favourable and hundreds thronged the waterfront before the Vampire was seen above the island.

An official demonstration flight will take place at 3.15 p.m. tomorrow.

Want Advice Of General MacArthur

New York, January 14. The Mirror today called for the return of General MacArthur to Washington to advise the United States Government on steps to combat the Communist menace in the Far East.

"In this dilemma of peril and uncertainty, it is not the most logical thing in the world to seek the advice of an American who knows the problem most thoroughly, who is closest to it, who has dealt with it most effectively," asked the Mirror.

"Indeed, it is difficult to see how any worthwhile programme could be formulated without the help of the great soldier-statesman who defied Communism in his administration of Japan and who calmly but adamantly refused to be influenced or coerced by Soviet Russia."

"We respectfully commend to President Truman that MacArthur be invited to return, if only for a brief visit."—United Press.

THE WEATHER

At 6:00 GMT (2 p.m. HKST) the anticyclone now control over N China continues to intensify. A complex depression is moving NE across N Japan. A small tropical depression about 800 miles E of Mindanao is moving Westwards.

Today's Forecast:—Moderate N winds strong at times in exposed places. Fine and hazy.

Yesterday's Weather:—

Maximum: 69.5 deg. Fah.

Minimum: 52.5 deg. Fah.

Rainfall: 0.7 hours.

Winds: 10-20 m.p.h. at times an average of 15.4 m.p.h. (10.2 kts.).

Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m.

Bar. at sea: 1010.5, 1010.2 m.m.

Rel. Humidity: 82, 85 %

Dew Point: 57, 54 deg. F.

Wind Direction: NW, N

Wind Force: 18, 9 knots.

Clouds: 700-1000 ft.

Visib: 10, 10 miles.

Prob. Precip: 0.0, 0.0 in.

In Kowloon, meanwhile, a 33-year-old expectant mother and her three children had a miraculous escape from death when a fire broke out at 203 Temple Street, in Kowloon, last night.

They were trapped for more than an hour on the second floor of the burning house until rescued by firemen. Unconfirmed reports early this morning said at least four persons died in the blaze.

More than 3,000 people were rendered homeless, and most of the hut dwellers lost all their belongings in the 30-minute conflagration on Po Hing Fong.

According to eye-witnesses, the fire started in the Western-most hut in the squatter settlement. The hut was used for making rice paste. A heap of paper ignited and the occupant, alarmed, ran out and shouted "Fire".

The Tung Wah Hospital staff, seeing the flames, sounded the alarm, and the entire male staff turned out to fight the fire with three hoses.

Their action saved two houses on the Western side of Pound Lane. The huts were on the opposite side of the lane.

Five minutes after the alarm was raised, two appliances from Central arrived. Following the sending out of a call to all stations, four further appliances arrived, including one from Western and one from Eastern.

The huts burnt like matchwood, and by the time the Fire Brigade arrived, it was clear that there was little hope of saving any of them.

The position worsened when about 15 minutes after the outbreak a change of wind fanned the flames across to the Western side of No. 22, 24, 26, and 30, Po Hing Fong.

These four-story houses, once alight, burnt through to the roof in no time.

Strenuous efforts by the Fire Brigade in cutting off the spread of the fire to adjoining houses saved No. 20 Po Hing Fong, and two houses on Tai Ping Terrace, just above Po Hing Fong. Their roofs were alight, but the fire was quickly put out. No. 20 Po Hing Fong was extensively damaged by water.

The police, including the emergency unit, kept back a huge

crowd of spectators estimated to number more than 10,000.

Members of the Sanitary Department, the Tung Wah Hospital Staff, St. John Ambulance Brigade and a troop of Chinese boys' scouts did good work in rendering help.

Scenes of indescribable misery and pity greeted the eye as the fire subsided. Panicky parents searched wildly for missing children, calling and crying. Others huddled together in groups, looking despairingly at their burn-out homes.

Before their departure from France, they were given a special blessing by Bishop Lemaire of Paris, and each was presented with the mission crucifix.

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Extension ladders were put in to use, and firemen, under their officers, climbed over the fire had been brought under control at 8.55 p.m., to search for bodies.

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Missionaries Arrive From France

The first French Catholic missionaries assigned to China this year arrived here yesterday by the French liner Champollion from Marseilles.

Headed by Reverend Father Frap, who has been in China for 12 years and is returning after long leave, the 11 missionaries, whose ages range from 20 to 25, are seeing the Far East for the first time.

Each will go to his own mission in the interior of China and remain for a number of years before his turn arrives for repatriation.

They will leave Hong Kong on Wednesday by the British river steamer Wusuh for Canton, where they will separate and head for their respective destinations with escorts.

In the meantime, the newly-ordained priests are residing in the French Mission, and will spend some time sight-seeing before beginning their work.

They will be distributed in the Kwangsi, Kwangtung, and Kwai-chow regions, and will study the respective dialects of their areas.

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BLAZING INFERNO



When this picture was taken, more than 350 huts had been razed to the ground by the fire which started from squatters' dwellings along a street below. The total number of huts destroyed is estimated to have once housed several thousand people. Shown in the building at Po Hing Fong, in front of Tai On Terrace just below Bonham Road, where the fire reached after consuming all the huts. Immediately facing this building was once a large area of squatters' huts which continued to a terrace below, near the Brick Garden on Tai Ping Shan Street.—Sunday Herald Photo.

Nationalist Withdrawal Near Nanking

Nanking, January 15. Nationalist troops have withdrawn from outposts around the city wall of Huaiyuan, about 120 miles North West of Nanking on the capital's outer defence screen, usually reliable Nationalist military sources reported today.

The withdrawal was regarded as strategic. Huaiyuan is on the North bank of the Huai river, South West of the main Nationalist outpost of Pengpu.

Earlier reports said that Communist troops were regrouping for the Nanking attack. North West of Huaiyuan but later unconfirmed despatches said that they were now moving Southward towards the Yangtze river, where a crossing might be attempted between Nanking and Hankow.

Meanwhile, General Chen Yi's columns which had defeated the Nationalist Hsuehchow garrison, were reported to be continuing their move Southward towards the Huai river.

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Reinforcements For Durban



Durban, January 15. Five South African Dakotas left Zwartkops airfield, near Pietermaritzburg, early today, carrying 100 Johannesburg police to help their colleagues here to cope with South Africa's biggest race riots.

Another strong force was standing by to fly to Durban if renewed riots broke out after a night of uneasy calm. Five officers left with the 100 police reinforcements.

The police reported considerable looting and many former incidents in the African-Indian clash. The hospital here was organised like a wartime casualty clearing station today to handle hundreds of injured from the two days of riots, in which 50 people were believed killed.

Eleven Europeans—nine police among them—were treated for wounds received in rioting, burning and stoning which swept the city after a bus queue squabble between an African and an Indian.

At Cato Manor police station in the worst affected area, a refugee centre was established and Indians came in to seek police protection. A milk queue formed and children got their first food in 12 hours or longer. Indian storekeepers supplied the food.

Dr. A. B. Kuma, President of the Natal African National Congress, was leaving Johannesburg today for Durban at the request of the Natal African Congress and the Natal Indian Congress to investigate the cause of the riots and try to help to end them.

He said today: "The violence between the Indians and Africans in Durban is to be greatly deplored. I must urge both sides to end this violence. It solves nothing. It injures and breeds hatred. No one gains anything by it. We must not allow ourselves to be victims of any political propaganda. We must act like the thoughtful, responsible people we are."

Seven officers and 200 constables were being flown into Durban from Johannesburg this afternoon, adequately armed with Bren and Sten guns. Mr. C. R. Swart, Minister of Justice, announced in Cape Town. In addition, all policemen who could be spared from other parts of Natal had been detailed to join the Durban forces.

Mr. Swart said that the Government viewed the events in a very serious light.

"The Government has been concerned to know how such a thing could have taken place and we are taking all necessary steps to make sure that similar outbreaks will not be possible in future," he added.

It became necessary yesterday to call in the assistance of the Union defence forces, the Minister added.—Reuter.

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Observers thought that if this attitude is shared by the majority of the Cabinet, direct negotiations with the Communists might be possible, but it is improbable that talks would begin before the Communists advanced to the Yangtze river and the President left Nanking.

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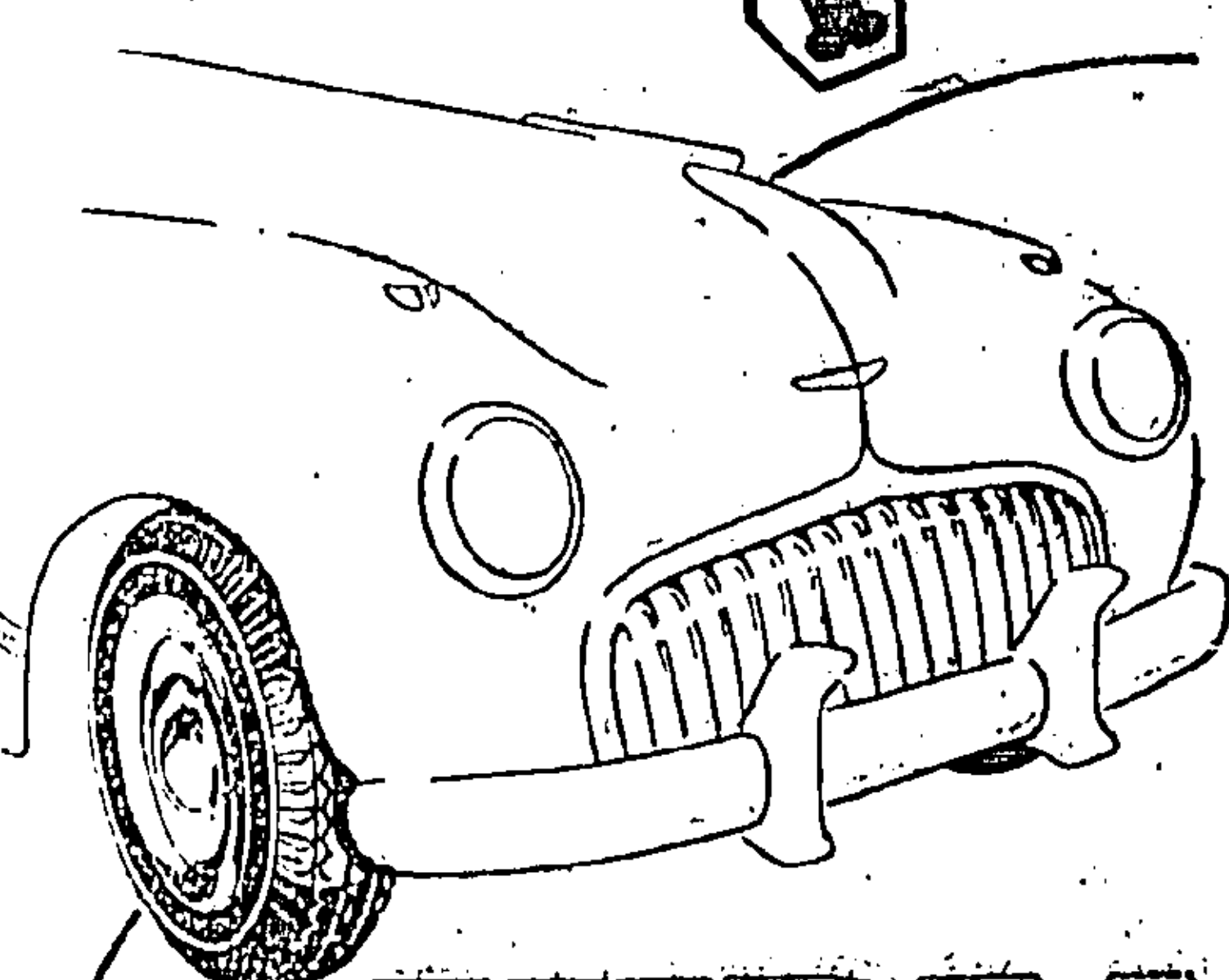
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EDITOR, FAMILY TESTIFY IN BUS DRIVER CASE

The allegation that, but for the skilful driving of the taxi driver, they might easily have been seriously injured, was made by Mrs. Dorothy Keates and Miss Elizabeth Keates in the course of evidence tendered before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

Mrs. and Miss Keates were testifying in a case in which Lui Pui, 29-year-old bus driver, is charged with dangerous driving and, alternatively, careless driving at Nathan Road between Austin Road and Cameron Road on December 12 last.

Mr. W. J. Keates, Editor-in-Chief of the "Sunday Herald" and "China Mail," whose evidence before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr on December 13 was halted when defendant asked for an adjournment in order to obtain legal assistance, again took the stand yesterday.

In reply to Divisional-Inspector J. Hunter (Kowloon Traffic Office), prosecuting, Mr. Keates said that his wife, daughter and himself were visiting Dr. Sittani at 184 Nathan Road on the afternoon of December 12. At about 4.05 p.m. they telephoned for a taxi, and went down to the street about five minutes later.

His daughter, wife and Dr. Sittani's baby had entered the taxi, which was parked outside the house, between the first and second trees, and the man was just entering the cab when witness saw a bus stopping alongside the taxi and about two feet off its side. Witness, standing with Dr. Sittani and Mr. Advani to see the ladies off, noticed the bus moving off immediately the taxi started to move. "The bus, he said, kept parallel with the taxi, with its front wheel close to the rear wheel of the taxi, up to the fourth tree.

Taxi Accelerates

The cab accelerated to clear the bus and was about 20 yards ahead when witness last saw the two vehicles near St. Andrew's Church. "I was so struck with the dangerous driving that as soon as possible I rang up my wife. When she told me of a second incident I reported the matter to the police.

"I was quite satisfied in my mind that it was a deliberate attempt to drive the taxi off the road, and if the driver of the taxi had not kept his head, an accident might easily have occurred," said witness.

In reply to the court, Mr. Keates said that the taxi had to swerve around the tree roots and had only a foot leeway to get clear. Replying to Inspector Hunter, witness said that he saw the bus driver put his head out and inspect the taxi driver. He did not hear any bell signal for the bus to stop. There was no other vehicle near the bus stop at Hillwood Road. He did not see any passengers getting off the bus.

Under cross-examination by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Ross for the defence, witness said that correspondence about an alleged feud between the bus drivers and taxi drivers did not influence his mind in respect of what had happened. While agreeing with defence counsel that it would be a quite normal procedure for a bus driver to draw his vehicle in at that point preparatory to stopping the bus for passengers to board or alight, witness declared that defendant stopped his bus in the middle of the road because he saw the taxi parked there. No passengers got off the vehicle from the scene.

Witness agreed that it would have been very considerable of the driver to stop the bus to give the taxi a clear field "if he had not waited for our taxi to start and then himself started."

Second Incident

Corroborative evidence was given by Dr. T. A. Sittani. After corroborating her husband's evidence as to what happened outside 184 Nathan Road, Mrs. Keates said that the taxi drew clear when it was outside Chun-tse-ter's.

"As we got to the new Telephone Co.'s buildings," said witness, "well on our side of the road, the taxi swerved violently. I then noticed a bus overtaking us on the corner of the road. I took down the number of the bus. It was No. 8, route bus and the number was 4246."

Witness added that when she saw the bus swerving right in front of the taxi she realised that an attempt had been made to drive the cab off the road. "I was very angry as I considered our lives to have been endangered."

The bus, continued witness, stopped further down the road. When the taxi drew near the bus, the driver leant out of the cab and spoke to the bus driver. Replying to Mr. Keates, witness said that the taxi swerved sharply to the left, when it was still some distance from the Dairy Farm bus stop. It only swerved when the bus drew alongside.

Fair Speed

The taxi was going at a fair speed, and the bus must have accelerated to cut in front of the taxi, witness said. "The first time the taxi was hit was when it was stationary but to the taxi outside 184 Nathan Road."

Miss Elizabeth Keates bore out her mother's evidence, and added that their taxi, travelling at between 20 and 25 miles an hour, was well within its side of the road when the bus cut in front of it.

This case, hearing was adjourned to 12 noon tomorrow.

Residents Leave Estates

Local estate, sworn under \$45,000 was left by Mr. James Roger Godfrey Wyatt, formerly of the Marine Department. Hong Kong, who died at Parklands Nursing Home, Durban, South Africa, on October 23, 1948.

An application for Probate of the Will of Mr. Wyatt has been granted to Mrs. Isabella Alice Wyatt, power being reserved to Mr. John Barker, the other Executor, to apply for Probate.

Mr. Richard William Nicholls, who died at Nethercombe, 10 Summerdown Road, Eastbourne, Sussex, England, on January 22, 1948, left local estate sworn under \$75,000.

An application for re-selling copy Probate of Mr. Nicholls' Will has been granted to Mr. D. B. Evans, Solicitor.

Local estate, sworn under \$232,700 was left by Mr. Cheong Yok-chong otherwise called as Cheong Yoke-chong or Cheong Yok-chong, who died at Kuala Lumpur in the Malayan Union on June 25, 1947. An application for re-selling certified copy Probate has been granted to Wong Sow-chan and Leong Hoe-yong.

Orchestra Starting Rehearsals

The Hong Kong Light Orchestra will start rehearsals on Tuesday at the St. John's Cathedral Hall, at 6.45 p.m.

All members of the orchestra are requested to make every effort to attend regularly each week with a view to presenting two concerts about the end of February and the beginning of March.

By the kind permission of the management of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels Limited, the concerts will again be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, and at the Peninsula Hotel for Kowloon patrons.

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Intermezzo: "Angels and Imps" (S. Dicker), "Pizzicato Movement" from the Gabrielle Suite (Frederick Rose, Op. 101).

The orchestra will be supported by a soloist, Mrs. D. Foster, Contralto, wife of Bandmaster Foster.

New Solicitor Admitted To Supreme Court

Mr. Alastair Sutherland Ross was yesterday admitted by Sir Leslie Gibson (Chief Justice), to practice as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Hong Kong.

Moving the application for the admission of Mr. Ross, the Hon. Mr. J. B. Griffin, K.C., Attorney General, said that the documents and certificates required under Section 27 of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance 1948 had been filed.

Mr. Griffin said that Mr. Ross entered upon a B.A. degree in England in December 1938. He was articled to Mr. Geoffrey Boulton Hutchings of 3, Tavistock Lane, London. As was his experience of 40 many others, his career was interrupted by the war. On September 1, 1939 he was mobilised with the Territorial Army, 2nd Bn. of the London Scottish. He continued to serve with the Army until the end of the war and was demobilised on April 29, 1946. Upon his release from the Army Mr. Ross resumed his studies and was eventually admitted and called as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Hong Kong.



INSPECTOR H. N. MORAN

Inspector Moran To Sail For Home After Long Service

When the 46 Canton pulls out of Hong Kong harbour on January 21, the Colony's police force will be losing one of its most respected members, Inspector Hugh Nicholas Moran.

After more than 22 years of service with the local Government, Inspector Moran will be leaving with his wife and two daughters for a well earned retirement in the United Kingdom.

This history of his career covers many years of varied service, commencing with his enlistment with the 1st East Lancashire Regiment, when he saw action in France during World War I.

On his discharge from the army he joined up with the Liverpool Police and remained with them until 1921. Mr. Moran then joined up with the Royal Air Force in the United Kingdom and in Constantinople with the Allied Police Commission of Controls.

In the year 1925, he accepted a post with the Hong Kong Police, arriving here in November 1925. After three years he was appointed to the CID staff, but had hardly warmed up in the post when he was due for home leave.

While on leave in the United Kingdom he took a course in finger print work, studying at West Riding Constabulary Headquarters at Wakefield, Yorkshire.

Murder Trial

Returning to the Colony he was again drafted in CID work and worked in the island and on the mainland.

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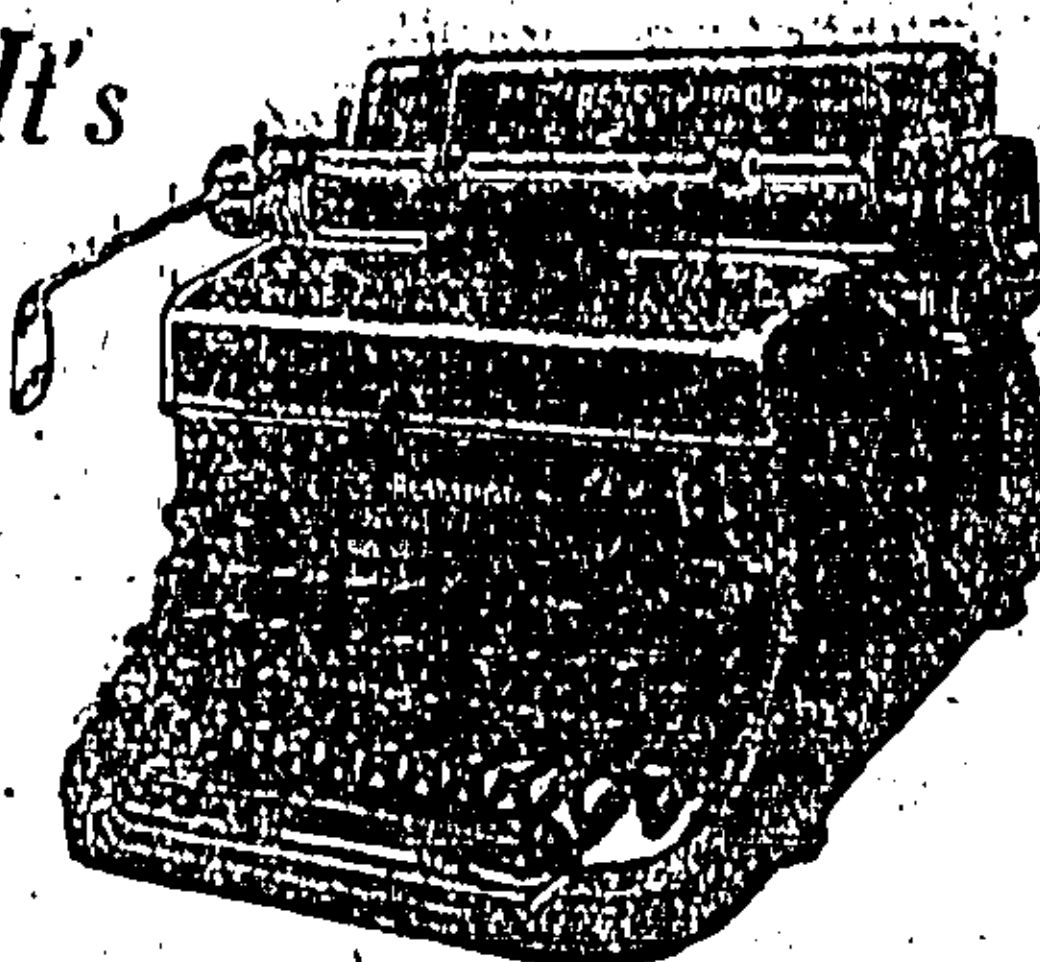
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PART I
TABLE.

Portion of the Colony. Subject nevertheless to the exceptions and prohibitions and restrictions set forth in Part II of this Table.	Permitted Times.
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In the Island of Hong Kong:—

(1) All the area within and bounded by Pedder St. to Connaught Rd., C. to Murray Rd. to Queen's Rd., C. and back to Pedder St.

(1), (2) and (3) from 11 p.m. on Friday, the 28th January, 1940 to 1 a.m. on Saturday, the 29th Jan. 1940.

(2) All that area within and bounded by a line from the entrance to the Royal Naval Hospital in Queen's Rd., East to Kennedy Rd. along Kennedy Rd. to a line running immediately behind and parallel to Stone Nullah Lane, down Stone Nullah Lane to Queen's Rd., East, along Queen's Rd., East to Tai Yuen St. by Tai Yuen St. and O'Brien Rd. to Gloucester Rd. to Stewart Rd. and thence by Stewart Rd. and Heard St. to the boundary of the Public Works Dept. Store.

(3) All the areas within and bounded by Leighton Hill Rd. to Caroline Road, to Shaikwan Rd., along Eastern Hospital Rd., to Tai Hang Rd., along Tai Hang Rd. to Stubbs Rd., to Morrison Gap Rd., to Morrison Hill Road, and back to Leighton Hill Rd.

The streets and roads or portions thereof, as the case may be, through which boundary lines pass are included within the areas (1), (2) and (3).

In Kowloon:—

(4) All that portion of the Kowloon Peninsula south of Austin Road.

(5) The area within (and including) the following boundary:—

Nathan Rd. from Austin Rd. to Boundary St. thence Boundary St. to the Railway Line, thence the Railway Line to the Northern end of Kowloon Tong, thence Cornwall Rd. to Waterloo Rd. thence Waterloo Rd. to Boundary St. thence Boundary St. to Prince Edward Rd. thence Prince Edward Rd. to Argyle St. thence Argyle St. to Waterloo Rd. thence Waterloo Rd. to No. 4 Railway Bridge, thence the Railway Line to Chatham Road, thence Chatham Rd. to Austin Rd.

The whole of Jordan Rd. is included within the boundary.

In the Colony:—

(6) Elsewhere in the Colony.

Also from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, the 29th January, 1940.

Also from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. on Friday, the 4th February, 1940.

(4) the same times as for area (1), (2) and (3) above.

(5) the same times for areas (1), (2) and (3) above.

(6) from 4 p.m. on Friday the 28th Jan. 1940, to 4 p.m. on Sunday, the 30th Jan. 1940. From 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday the 4th February, 1940.

PART II

EXCEPTIONS PROHIBITIONS & RESTRICTIONS.

No firework shall be discharged within the following area:—

All that area within and bounded by a line along the whole of Ko Shing Street to its western end or junction with Des Voeux Rd., West, thence along Des Voeux Rd., West to its junction with Centre Street, thence along Centre Street to its junction with Bonham Road, thence along and including Bonham Road to a point found by producing the eastern boundary of Pound Lane, thence to and along and including Pound Lane, thence along and including Hollywood Road to its junction with Queen's Road West, thence along Queen's Road West to its junction with Queen Street, thence along Queen Street to its junction with Ko Shing St., the point of commencement. The course of the said line is such that boundary street and roads not specifically included in the area lie outside it.

No burning firework or other fire shall be thrown above the head, or nearby any person or inflammable material, and every reasonable precaution must be taken against accident.

The kindling, discharge or letting off of fireworks in or in the vicinity of hospitals, or of places of Christian Worship during Divine Service is prohibited.

The firing of Bombs, "Electric" crackers and "Golden Coin" crackers is strictly prohibited.

With reference to the permission hereby notified attention is drawn to the rule set forth in Government Notification No. 79 published in the Government Gazette dated 10th February, 1933, "No person shall make, sell, or have in his possession any firework which explodes on impact, or which contains any explosive in rediment or mixture other than black gunpowder, charcoal, sulphur, saltpetre, aluminium and potassium perchlorate, or which has in any single container thereof more than 10 grains of any explosive mixture in which potassium perchlorate is an ingredient."

Occupiers of premises are warned as to their liability under the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1932, in particular in respect of any unlawful firing or throwing of fireworks at, on or from their premises.

The Police have strict orders to summon or arrest persons firing fireworks in contravention of the foregoing permission and rule.

(Ed.) D. W. MacINTOSH,
Commissioner of Police.
Hong Kong, January 7, 1940.

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Unfair

Sir,—May I draw your attention to a letter headed "Volunteer Underdogs" and signed by T.P. Jackson which appeared in the correspondence column of the "China Mail" on January 13, 1940.

It is a pity that T.P. Jackson's strong sympathy for the particular cause of the locally-born Eurasian who joined the British Forces so carried him away that he eluded this case as one of the grounds for not joining the Volunteer Force. Whilst many will regard the case quoted by T.P. Jackson as being a very sad one whilst they remain in ignorance of all the facts, the particular case has nothing whatsoever to do with the Hong Kong Government of the H.K.V.D.C. or the Defence Force. The Commandant of the H.K.V.D.C. took considerable pains to inform the public through the Press that every effort was being made to provide against racial and financial injustices in the proposed new Volunteer Defence Force, and until it is shown that the Commandant's promises have been broken, it is manifestly unfair to quote samples of justices in the past—particularly if they do not relate to the H.K.V.D.C. W. GORDON HARMON, Public Relations Officer.

Why Steal A Chow Dog?

Sir,—With reference to the case reported in your issue of Thursday's date, in which a local bank Clerk was charged with the theft of a black chow dog, it would appear that the case was not tried in its true light for it is of no purpose if an employed man to steal a common chow dog.

The branding of the man in question as a thief is most deplorable, for it is not improbable for anyone to find a stray dog in a nullah and take it home out of pity, until claimed for, and in this case the claim was left at the discretion of the police. Surely the local court will not want this little blot to remain in the minds of the public.

BONZO.

RUSSIAN PEACE MOVE IN JAPAN

Tokyo, January 15.
A Russo-Japanese Friendship Association will soon be formed in Tokyo as basis for a peace movement among the peoples of Soviet Russia and Japan.

Backed by the influential left labour Union leaders of the Sanbutsu Japan's largest Communist-controlled labour union with approximately 1,500,000 members, the Association will hold its inaugural meeting early in March.

The Association will publicize its activities and ask for the support of men and women in cities, towns and villages throughout the country.—Reuter.

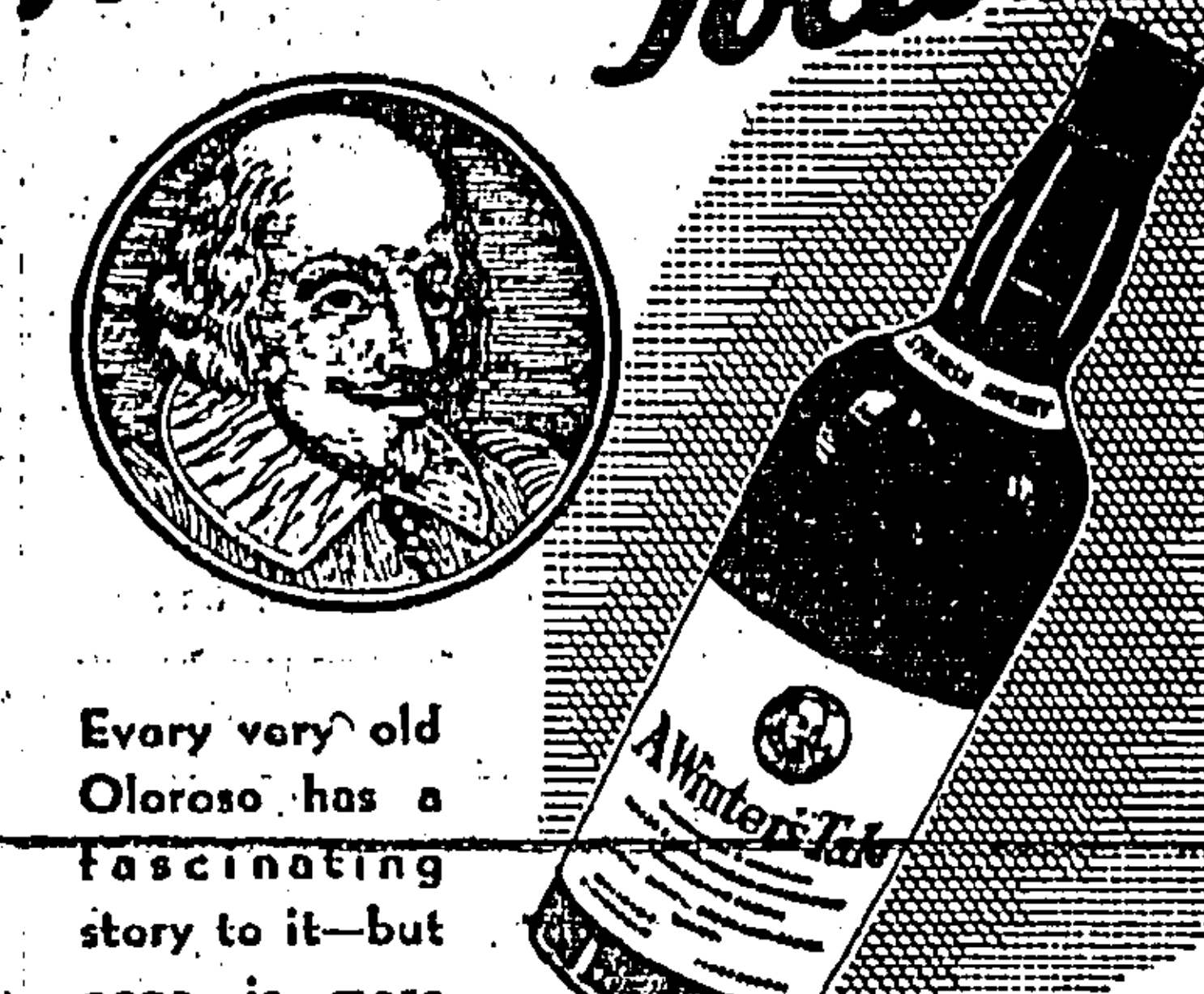
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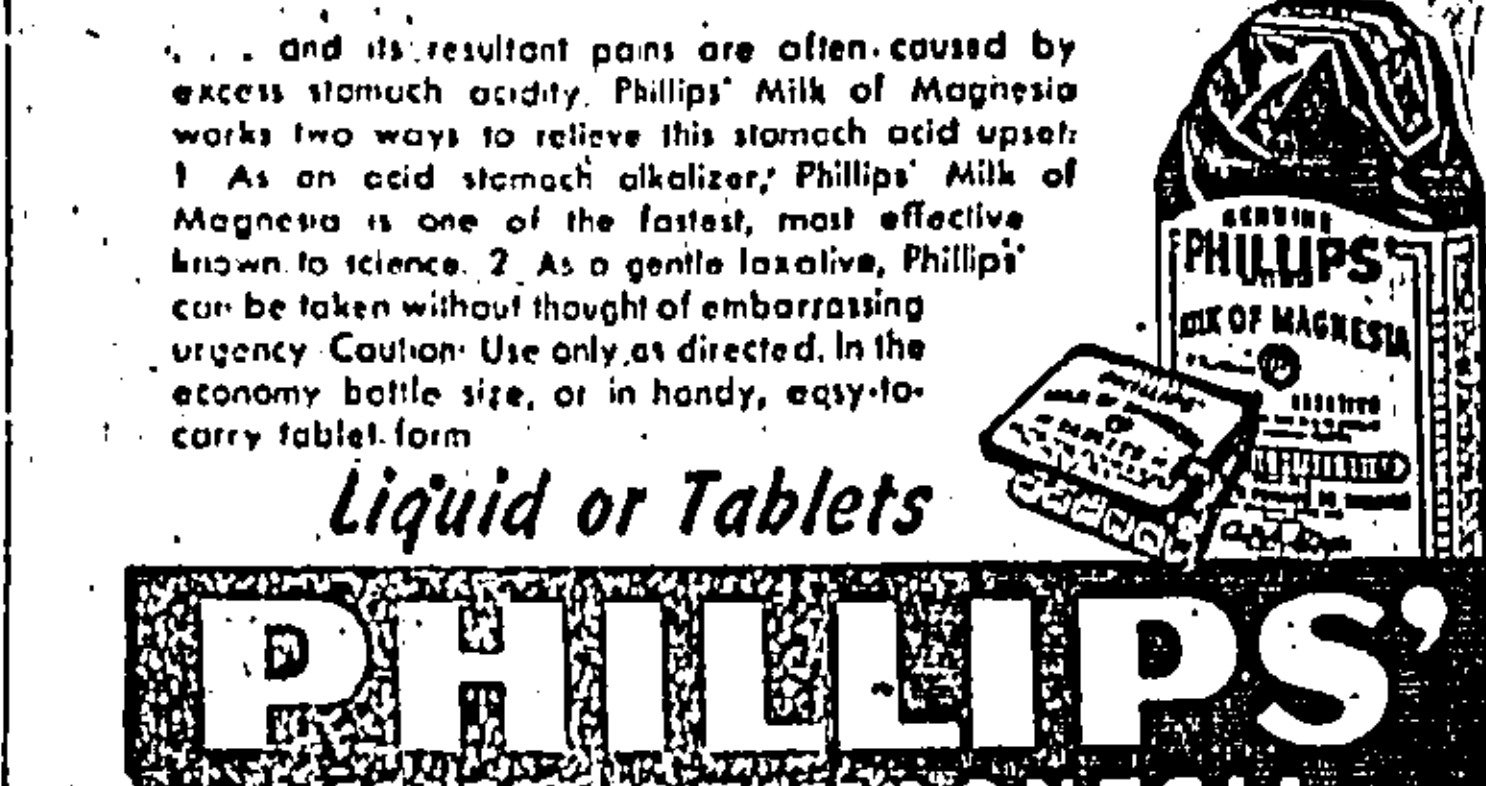
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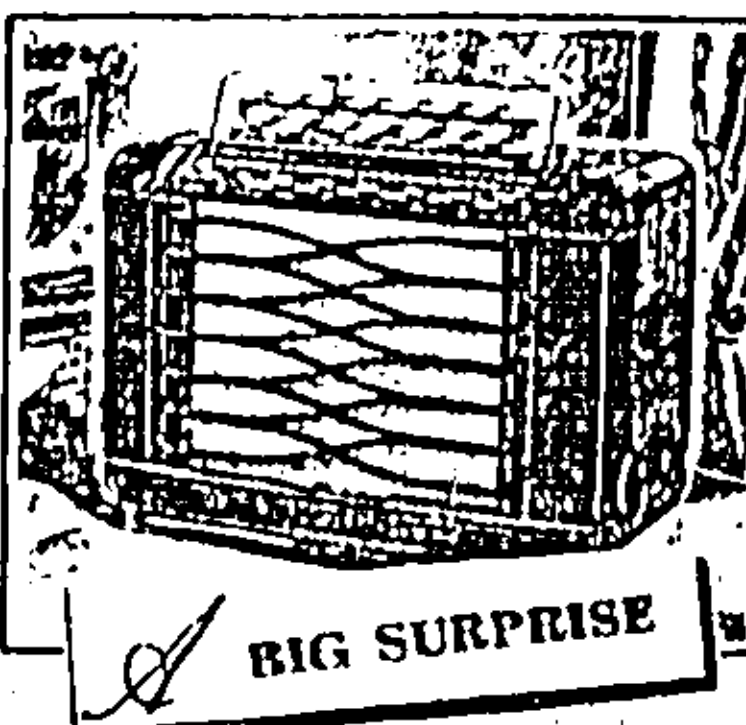
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CAN THE AIR- LIFT CATCH UP?

By JOHN FISHER

Wiesbaden, Germany. Do You want to know what is going to happen in Berlin? Then watch the week to week figures of the food that is being flown in there. Nothing affects the Russian view of Berlin so much as the present and future airlift tonnage and it is safe to say that Mr. Vyshinsky and his colleagues at the U.N. Assembly paid more attention to the hideous din of planes crossing and climbing from puddle-spotted airfields than to all the well turned speeches made in Paris.

The next week or two will tell us whether the airlift is likely to have replaced the foggy start of the German winter and then the real test will come for the experts who believe that, freed from fog, they will be able to take more food to Berlin rather than less.

The crisis in the air lift is not a sudden one, since for several weeks the lifts have been "running below the minimum figure needed and sometimes as much as 10,000 tons a week below.

The Inside

Recently I had the chance of learning the inside story of the air lift winter plans and flew down from Berlin to the joint European Command Headquarters here at Wiesbaden. Naturally the first question one asks is why the air lift has been showing such modest figures, and the answer you get is that the weather recently has been about three times as bad as weather records for the past thirty years allows one to believe.

The experts recognise three main kinds of flying weather, of which the worst is "those conditions" when the ceiling is less than 500 feet... and visibility less than one mile. In the first half of November this kind of weather occurred in Frankfurt 2 1/2 times as often as it should and in Berlin and North Germany twice as often.

In spite of this stocks of food and coal in Berlin had not slipped dangerously up to the time of the great fog, and the accident rate for plane crashes is running below the world rate.

Not Enough

Foul weather is, however, only one of the reasons why the airlift has been running below the minimum needed for Berlin this autumn. At present there are simply not enough planes on the job. Concurrently the Americans are using 170 planes, all four-engine Skymasters, and the British 135 Yorks, Dakotas, Superfortresses and miscellaneous craft. This is not much for so big a task and some of the planes are small in size as well as numbers. An RAF Dakota, for instance, carries only one third of the load of the Skymaster and more crew, fuel and maintenance per ton lifted. Similarly the Skymasters carry only half of what the C-374 can take. But there are only twelve C-374 in the world and apparently not enough Skymasters to replace Dakotas on the airlift. How then is the lowly to be made up?

The Luftwaffe used to reckon that their bad flying weather period ran from November 1 to December 15, so that we are through the worst of the fog. The experts say they can deal all right with the snow and ice. One device, the hot air sock, is already in use on the freezing airfields of Germany. The dock supplies its own central heating by means of jets of hot air and allows planes to be serviced in mid-fog. In the White House Headquarters in Wiesbaden General William Tamm, the chief of the European airlift task

force, tells me how the Americans have solved the problem of servicing their planes so far from home.

Servicing

"These planes have a six hours servicing in Germany after every fifty hours flying," he said. "After every 200 hours they cross the channel to Burton Wood near Liverpool, England, for heavy maintenance. After every 1,000 hours the planes go to the States for complete overhaul. With this system there is no reason why our planes should not be kept going indefinitely."

This month the new airfield at Tegel, in the French sector of Berlin, comes into use and another at Celle in the British Zone was opened on December 15. Moreover the Americans are going to run 40 new Skymasters from there. The normal weather should raise the airlift by some 500 tons a day. The Tegel airfield would be used when the Tempelhof Aerodrome, which is in the industrial area of the city, is "hazed". In good weather Tempelhof and Tegel have both been used at the same time.

What other "jokers" have the airlift experts up their sleeves? Many officers, both British and American, believe that the airlift could be stepped up considerably if all the big U.S. planes were to fly to Berlin on the short route from the North German airfields in the British zone. At present 144 of our 170 Skymasters are loaded at Frankfurt and Wiesbaden, which means that coal and other supplies have to be hauled the extra mileage up the Rhine against a seven knots' current to reach the airfields.

The supporters of the change-over are urging the Americans to cut away from their present relatively comfortable headquarters in South Germany and the British in North Germany to the airfields which are far more open and on the whole less foggy. A decision on this point may prove vital to the airlift. The American Commander's argument is that by keeping some planes in South Germany we can avoid overcrowding in the North air corridors to Berlin and can prevent all American planes from being grounded on any one day... unless the weather is in and in both North and South Germany at the same time.

Parachuting

Earlier there was talk of parachuting supplies into Berlin. That, General Tamm assures me, is definitely "out". To drop a three ton load from a Dakota would take a half an hour's circuit in the congested Berlin area while the same plane can be unloaded on the ground in less than a quarter of that time.

No more planes and quicker planes are the answer to the Berlin problem. If the weather were good and the planes were there one could, theoretically, land 20 planes an hour on each of the three airfields in West Berlin—that is 1440 planes per day—and if these planes were Skymasters they would carry more than 14,000 tons of supplies. In practice 8,000 tons might be a more reasonable figure. I doubt if you could get much higher than that even if there were more airfields in West Berlin. The cross-crisis paths of planes landing in Berlin is already more complicated than the icing of a birthday cake and it might be dangerous to put in any more whittles.

Still, 8,000 tons a day is more than twice what is being flown into Berlin at present. Meantime all that one can say is that Berlin rationals have so far been maintained throughout the West during the fog and that there is a good chance of building up the stocks again during the coming year.

A SUPERFORT BRIDE TALKS ABOUT BRITAIN

Mrs. Tepoorten, young housewife from the American Middle West, arrived Britain six weeks ago to join her husband, who is a United States Air Force captain stationed at Burtonwood, Warrington, Lancashire. They have a furnished flat at Altrincham, near Manchester.

Here, in an interview with John Hall, the young housewife gives her impressions of Britain under Socialism.

Conditions are not quite so rough as I had been led to expect—especially by the British people I met in the ship coming over—but I certainly would hate this to happen to the United States. The people here look dog-ridden. To date I have visited Manchester, Liverpool, and Warrington. I had nothing more than an overnight stay in London on the way from Southampton, and I am told that I am seeing here a typical cross-section of the country.

The people are very like those back home in Trempealeau, Wisconsin, where I come from, and they are very friendly. But something about them annoys me. So many are shabbily dressed; so many of the girls go around bare-legged; so many of the women shoppers complain all the time, but do it listlessly, as if they had no spirit.

Last week I went to a dance at the airfield and some of the English girls' "formals" (evening frocks) made me feel terribly sorry for them.

Cheap Foods

Basic foods are really cheap. I've been comparing some of the prices here with what I had to pay in the U.S. Here they are, with the U.S. prices in parentheses: Bread, 4 1/2d. a loaf (11d.); butter 1s. 4d. a lb. (4s. 1d.); eggs, 3d. each (8s. 5 1/2d. a doz.); lettuce, 6d. each (2s.); lemons 1d. each (3d.).

I reckon that Gene, my husband, and I will be able to save the first time in our married life.

We have no family, and Gene's pay is £25 a week, out of which he pays income tax of £1 a week. (Gene's R.A.F. colleagues, married and without children, earning £25 a week, pay 6s. a week tax.)

If we lived on the British standard I reckon we could save at least half Gene's pay, because basic living cost here are about half what they are back home.

We shall not do so because we want to buy some furniture—and plenty of that is dearer here than in the U.S.—and we shall buy extra food from the U.S. commissariat at Burtonwood, as well as candy and cigarettes.

Man-Run Country

It would be hard for us to live on the British standard, though it might do us good. It would do a lot of Americans good to eat less.

I wasn't here long before I realised that this is a man-run country. Honest, I don't think you give your women a break, or things would not be like this.

American women just would not take what the housewives here are taking—chores, and, worst of all, some character from London literally standing in their kitchens and telling them what they give their families.

There are many things I like—the neat-looking homes and the chubby, healthy looking children. I never saw such children.

I am impressed, too, by your new health service. It must be something not to have to worry about doctors' dentists, or hospital bills. Too often in the U.S. expensive medical care is out of a family's reach, and that should not be.

What I cannot understand is the general atmosphere here, a sort of oppressiveness hanging over everyone. It is as if all the time that I may be stepping over some of the billions of regulations.

No, it isn't the weather—I'm used to extremes of weather and I like this climate—it's something about the people.

As I see it, people here do not work as hard as Americans do.

In the shops and cafes the tempo is slower. In the cafes it takes years to get served, and Gene tells me that the R.A.F. at the airfield have him beat with some of their methods.

Bare Existence

I'm afraid I don't understand the Socialists. It seems to me that they have set a bare existence level that is within the reach of everyone, even the laziest, but at the same time there is little extra for anyone who wishes to work hard.

A man can earn more, but it's worth practically nothing to him. Why should anyone beat their brains out if they finish up little better off than someone who is downright lazy?

Surely that's illogical. I'm no politician, and I'm certainly no capitalist, but surely people who want to have a 40-hour week must be satisfied to have a 40-hour week standard of living, and those who are ready to work harder, use their brains more, should be able to have something better.

To me that's plain horse-sense. It's madness to gear everyone to the speed of the slowest and laziest, and to argue that you must do that to stop some people getting more than others is crazy. It cannot work.

Pick A Meal

It's scary to me that there are young wives here who have never known what it is to be able to go to the stores and pick and choose. It kills aggressiveness, and like the many of Americans, I believe in aggressiveness. It's the thing that gets you

Hirohito Exempt From Prosecution

Washington, January 15.

A long-secret American order exempting Emperor Hirohito from prosecution as a war criminal was reported today to have received the backing of all Japan's wartime foes.

Diplomatic officials said the 11-nation Far Eastern Commission, representing all the countries which had a part in the Pacific war, supports the policy of giving immunity to Hirohito.

The action was disclosed after an order issued three years ago by the American Joint Chiefs of Staff finally came to light in Tokyo. Its one-time top-secret classification was removed to permit defense attorneys to appeal the conviction of 25 Class A war criminals to the United States Supreme Court.

The joint chiefs' order was described in a Tokyo despatch as part of a directive sent to General MacArthur in January, 1946 setting up the international tribunal which tried the Japanese war leaders.

Subsequent inquiry here developed that the policy of exempting the Emperor represents the considered views of the administration, including those of President Truman.

Officials familiar with its development said: "Japanese experts advised President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Hull from the start that the Emperor should be dealt with separately from the Tokyo Government and military leaders."

Only by this means, they contended, could a surrender be hoped for and the occupation carried out with a minimum of difficulty. "Prior to the joint Chiefs of Staff issued the temporary direc-

places and gets things done, brings progress. Kill aggressiveness and choose what they want for their husband's evening meal, to cut down on, say, butter so as to be able to buy a juicy steak.

That's what we do back home. American housewives can't buy everything they'd like, they have to do, but they can choose. Result here, as I see it, is that you have a national diet that maybe is balanced, but boy, is it monotonous.

I've heard plenty of criticism of the American way of life since I've been here—that a lot of people in the U.S. have to struggle hard to live, that we have some very poor people. Of course, that is true, but as an American I am not a Communist. I believe in competition and you kill initiative. And that's the end of everything.

No Nursing

You know, these here remind me a lot of the way they were back home in the depression, and we got out of that by being rugged, not by being nursed.

Another thing about your Socialism that strikes me is the stream of propaganda that's hurled at you. You get Socialist propaganda thrown at you in "shorts" at the movies and over the radio. They even put it across in the schools radio programmes. Does no one ever complain?

In housing you seem to have got something. Homes that are being built for £1,500 here would cost the equivalent of £5,000 or £6,000 right now in the U.S.

But if you offer Americans cheap-priced homes against a drab, dog-ridden existence, 99 out of every 100 would give me an answer—Let us have real freedom, hard at times, but vital; let us have brightness; let us have the freedom to spend whatever money we earn as we like; and we'll wait a bit longer for a home.

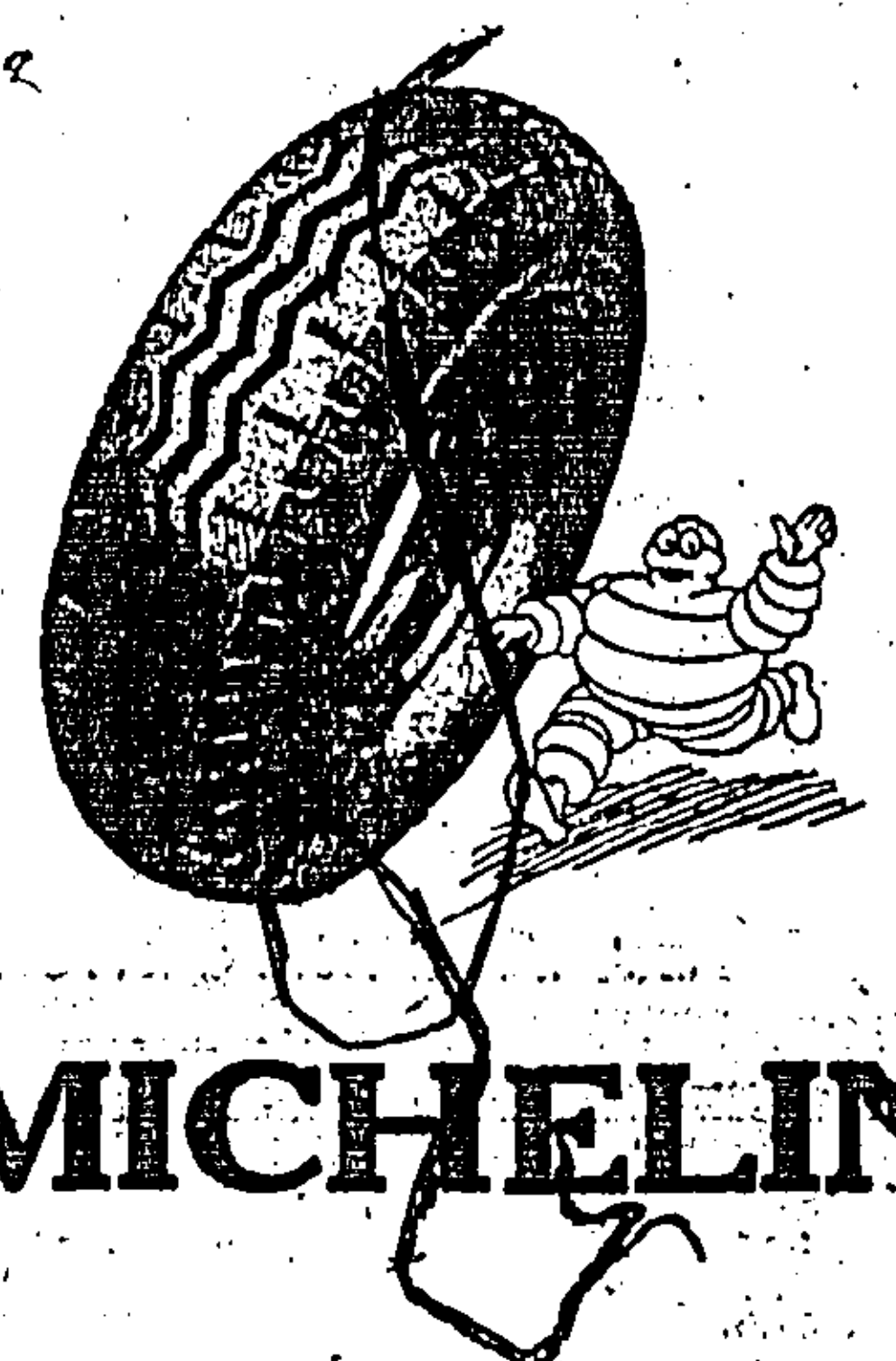
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NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 each day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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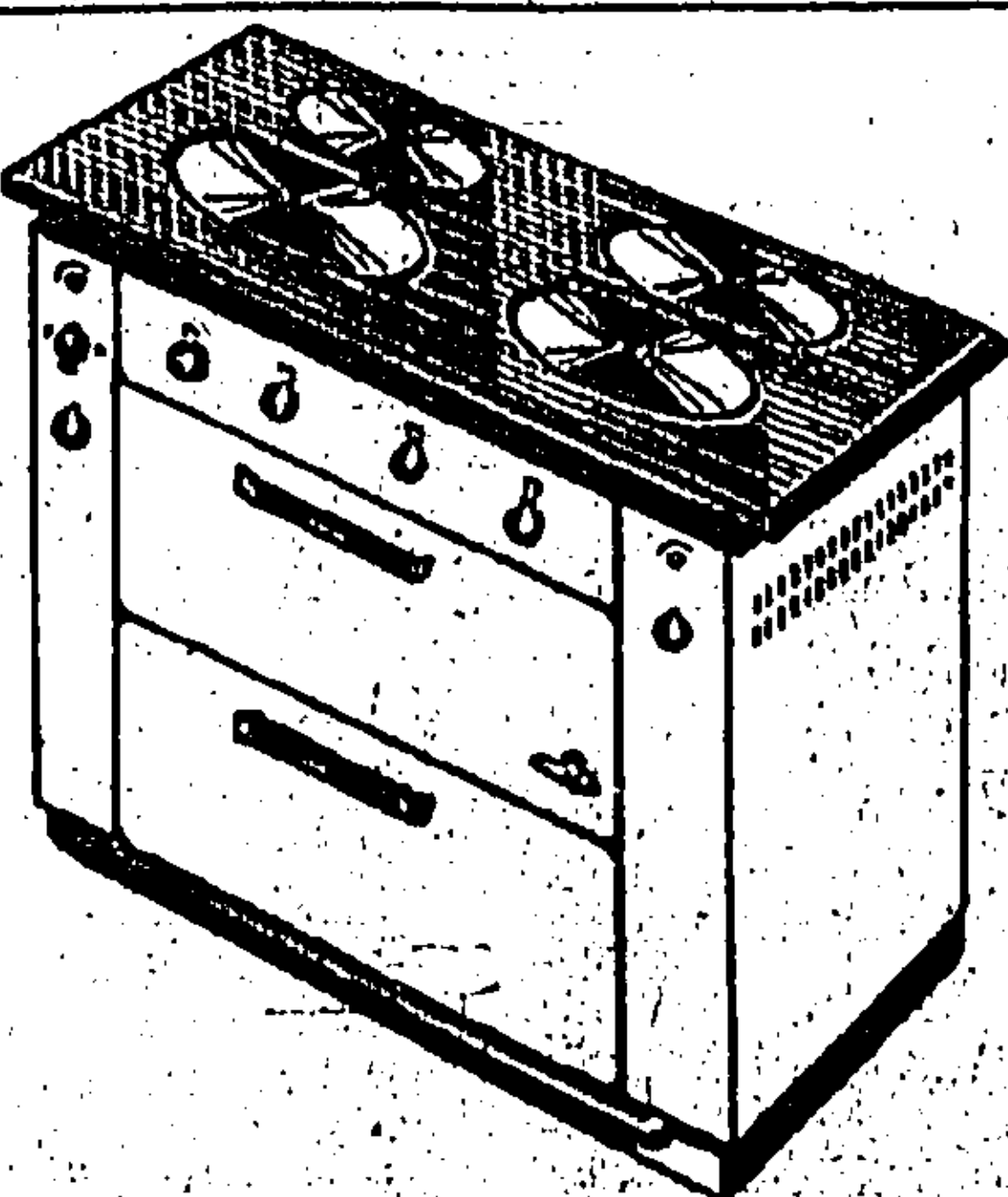
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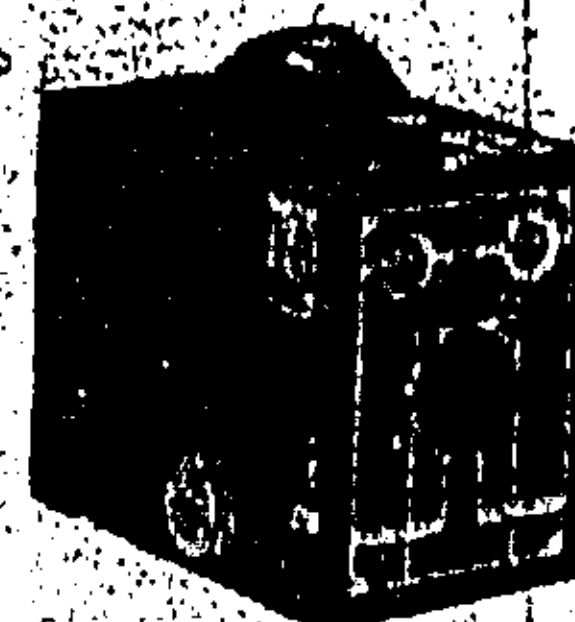
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**Army Alerted In Durban
As Riots Continue**

Capetown, January 14.

An appeal to regular Army officers and ranks in Durban to report back immediately to barracks following 24 hours of race rioting was broadcast tonight by Dr. Daniel Malan, the South African Prime Minister.

Earlier, the Defence Minister, Mr. P. C. Erasmus, stated in Capetown that military would be used to quell the rioting if the police force had not

sufficient men to cope with the situation.

Two thousand angry Africans, armed with heavy sticks and iron spikes, swarmed into Durban's Indian market area today, looting shops and attacking Indians.

Though special reserves were called out, police using batons were outnumbered and could not handle the crowd, which broke into the shops and smashed their shelves.

Frightened Indians hid in houses behind the market. Today's riots followed clashes last night in which 58 Indians and four Africans were hurt. Last night's trouble started at a bus stop when an African crowd took offence at an Indian storekeeper against an African.

It quickly spread to other parts of the city, and shouting crowds of Africans dashed through the streets stoning buses and cars driven by Indians.

One bus, driving through a hail of flying stones and broken bottles, charged a telegraph pole, spun round and careered up the road at high speed.

No Europeans Hurt
The Africans did not molest Europeans, but several big department stores closed early to allow women employees to go home while it was still light.

Dr. Vernon L. Shearer, a Durban Member of Parliament, telephoned the Minister of Defence in Capetown, and was given to understand that a proclamation would be issued immediately enabling the military to be called upon if necessary.

BRITISH TO TRY GERMAN RED
Berlin, January 15.
The British Military Government announced today that Max Reimann, the leading Communist in the Western Zone of Germany, is to face trial before a British military tribunal.

January 18 over a recent speech he made in Dusseldorf, the German news agency, DENA, reported.—Reuter.

SOAP RATION TO BE INCREASED
London, January 15.
Britain's small soap ration will be increased by one-sixth after January 30. Improved supplies of fats and oils from Africa are responsible.

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**Cyprus Governor
Returns To Post**

London, January 14.
Lord Winstanley, the Governor of Cyprus, is returning today by air to the British island colony in the Eastern Mediterranean, the Colonial Office announced last night.

He came to London in early November on what was officially described as leave and for conferences with Colonial Secretary Arthur Creech Jones.

Lord Winstanley had returned to his post in the island colony in the Eastern Mediterranean, the Colonial Office announced last night.

One purpose of his trip to London was to discuss Communist agitation in Cyprus for complete self-government, a step which Britain is not prepared to grant in view of Cyprus' strategic location in the troubled Near East.

The Colonial Office said that Lord Winstanley would be accompanied by I.M. Martin, an Assistant Under-secretary of State in the Colonial Office.

The Colonial Office spokesman said that Mr. Martin was making a routine visit to the island.—Associated Press.

POLICE SEIZE HUGE CIGARETTE CARGO
Vienna, January 14.

Austrian police and a Soviet military patrol seized one and a half million cigarettes from a lorry which crossed into the Soviet Zone of Austria from Hungary, it was officially announced here today.

According to Austrian sources, the cigarettes came from a black market centre in Budapest, alleged to have been financing the purchase of arms for the Jewish forces in Palestine.

Reports here yesterday said Austrian police had issued warrants for the arrest of three men said to be the associates of Bruno Seletzky, described as the "Basil Zaharoff" of South Europe. Alleged to be the head of a vast international smuggling ring.

This ring was said to have used money from the sale of American cigarettes and other high-priced goods, smuggled into Austria by road and air, to buy arms for Palestine.

According to eye-witness reports from the Hungarian frontier, military posts manned by Hungarian and Russian guards have been set up beside Hungarian control posts in an effort to seal the border against smuggling and the flow of political refugees from Hungary to the West.—Reuter.

SOLO PASSENGER
Shannon Airport, January 15.
When a four-engined, 40-ton Skymaster landed here last night with the gangway and prepared to deal with the flow of passengers.

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**Bao Dai
Asked
To Return**

Paris, January 15.
The Overseas Minister, M. Paul Coste-Lesclap, on Friday called upon the former Annamite Emperor, Bao Dai, to resume his throne after "a very brief delay."

The Minister spoke on the eve of important conversations scheduled for this week-end between ex-Emperor Bao Dai and France's High Commissioner to Indo-China, M. Leon Pignon.

M. Pignon is to confer with the former sovereign on the Riviera on Sunday in an effort to get Bao Dai to accept the throne under French sponsorship.

M. Coste-Lesclap's statement came after a meeting between President Vincent Auriol, Premier Henri Queuille and other ministers which re-affirmed France's policy of dealing with Bao Dai. It followed reports that the former Emperor was in a position to take the crown back under present circumstances.

Earlier this week, Bao Dai received General Xuan, chief of the French-sponsored Viet Namese Provisional Central Government. French sources said that Bao Dai declined General Xuan's proposals for a permanent regime.

M. Coste-Lesclap asserted that France would not negotiate with the Ho Chi Minh regime with which the French have been engaged in desultory warfare for more than two years in Indo-China.—Associated Press.

HITLER'S FRIEND EXONERATED
Munich, January 15.
Dr. Ernst Hanstaengl, once Hitler's foreign press chief, was today exonerated by a Wehrmacht court which found he had helped victims of the Nazi regime, according to the German agency, DPA.

Hanstaengl left Germany in 1947 and was interned in Britain when the war broke out.—Reuter.

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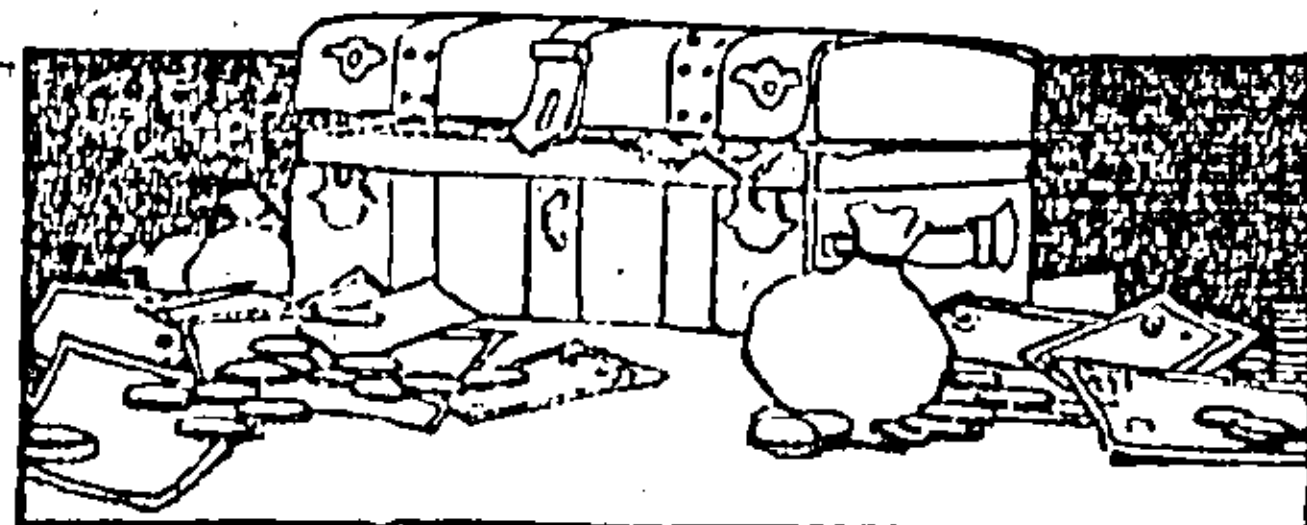
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A special Tribunal, presided over by Mr. Justice Remora, met at dawn this morning to inquire into allegations concerning Patrick Campbell, journalist, of London, E.C.4.

The examination was conducted by Sir Prickly Conscience.

The witness, when he took the stand, was seen to be unusually pale, and wearing a paper cap.

The President: You may be seated, if you wish.

Witness (in a low voice): If you don't mind, sir, I'll stand. The floor is covered with white ink.

The witness then took the oath, removing his paper cap, and replacing it immediately afterwards.

Sir Prickly Conscience: You are familiar with the allegations that have been made against you?

Witness (in a sudden outburst): Sure, I know, because my own date's day is tomorrow.

The President (intervening): Sir Prickly, is the witness speaking English?

Sir Prickly: We may take it to be English, myud. The witness is an Irish alien, but has been domiciled in this country for some time.

The President: An Irish alien? Not a Free Stateless one, I hope!

Witness: There was general laughter, in which the President joined. A voice called from the public gallery: "Arsk 'im 'as 'a turkey under his jumper!" Order was restored.

Sir Prickly (resuming): Myud, it would appear that the witness is not fully compliant of the charges that have been made against him. With your permission, I shall take this opportunity to lay them before the court.

Witness: Can I have a glass of water?

A glass of water was passed up to him by an usher. The witness drank half, and poured the rest over his head. A small cloud of steam was seen to arise.

Witness: Thank you.

Sir Prickly: Myud, the charges—

Witness: Can I have another glass of water?

A second glass of water was handed up. The witness placed his tongue in it, making no attempt to drink. A large cloud of steam was seen to arise.

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A Government ban on political processions makes it impossible to hold a planned procession through London.

Mr. Fenner Brockway, International Chairman of the Congress of Peoples against Imperialism, told Reuters: "Practically every Asian and African organisation in London is co-operating with us."

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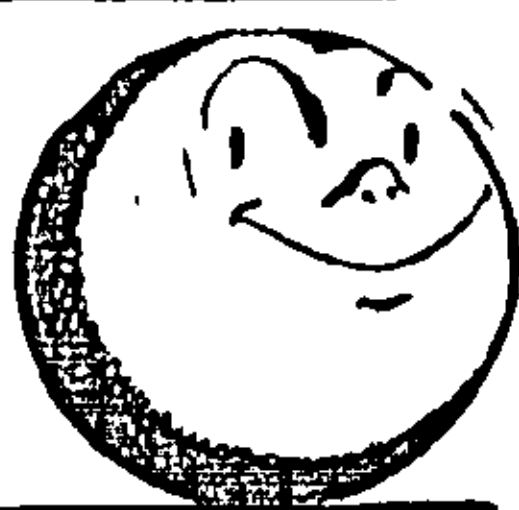


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Wall Of Silence Blacks Out Tientsin

Arms Flown To Israel?

Frankfurt, January 15.
New charges that arms were flown from Czechoslovakia to Israel during the Palestine truce were made here on Friday.

Mr. Pavel Tigrid, a prominent Czech living in Germany, reported that the armaments were shipped to Israel with the "full knowledge" of the Communist-dominated Prague Government.

Mr. Tigrid said that his charges were based on statements of Czechoslovak refugees arriving from their homeland.

He quoted these refugees as saying that transport planes had been regularly leaving the Czechoslovak military airport at Batec, in Western Bohemia, during the last three months.

Mr. Tigrid asserted that the arms came from "nationalist Czechoslovak armament factories" and claimed that they included machine guns, sten guns, rifles and ammunition.

He quoted the newly arrived Czechs as saying that some of the armament planes carrying the weapons for Israel bore the flag of Panama.—Associated Press.

AMBASSADOR TO U.S. RETURNS

New Delhi, January 14.
It was officially learned today that Sir Benegal Rau, Indian Ambassador to the United States, is returning to India at the end of March to assume office as Governor of the Reserve Bank of India.

Informed quarters expressed the belief that Madame Vijayalakshmi Pandit, sister of the Indian Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, and present Indian Ambassador to Moscow, will succeed Sir Benegal in Washington.—United Press.

DEATH SENTENCE IN RUMANIA

Bucharest, January 14.
The death sentence has been introduced in Rumania for offences against the State, sabotage, and non-fulfilment of duty resulting in public disasters.

There was no capital punishment in Rumania in peace time, although in time of war high treason was punishable by death.—Reuter.

Shanghai, January 15.
Tientsin, gateway port to North China, fell behind a wall of silence as radio telecommunication shut down yesterday while Red artillery mounded the one-time treaty port, built in pre-world war one days by the Germans.

Reports from Peiping, cabled shortly after midnight indicated that both telephone and radio communications were broken off with Tientsin, and the Telecommunication office in Shanghai said this morning they had received nothing from Tientsin.

Peiping reports that the telecommunication building in Tientsin was hit by shells. The Red assault started after days of semi-secret negotiation during which the Reds appeared to have lost patience with repeated Nationalist refusal to surrender.

This morning the Nationalists claimed to have smashed a Red attempt to take the city after what the Nationalists described as five days and nights of fierce, bloody fighting.

Best Columns

Fu Tzu-yi said that Lin Piao, Red general, had used his four best columns in an effort to cut the city in two.

He identified them as Lian's first, second, seventh and eighth. The spokesman further claimed these four columns had been smashed, losing two-thirds of their 60,000 men.

Nationalist losses, the spokesman said, were only one-eighth of the Red casualties.

"Human Sea"

He said the Reds, used human sea tactics, throwing waves after waves against Nationalist defenses in the East and West. But by 2200 hours yesterday the attacks were spent.

This claim did not scan with reports from Tientsin last night of severe shelling in the heart of the city with heavy casualties and severe damage, which was followed by radio silence. Fu's spokesman admitted that the Nationalists had abandoned two points in the Eastern sector of Tientsin.

Reports direct from Tientsin claimed yesterday that shelling was growing heavier.

Nationalist sources counter-claimed, however, that their artillery had silenced Red guns and that resumption of service at the city's airfield was expected.

Routers Shelled

The Router office in Tientsin was struck by a shell and damaged early in the evening. The Reuter correspondent got out a message describing the city as

PREMIER RESIGNS

Istanbul, January 14.
It was officially announced today that Hasan Saka had resigned as Prime Minister of Turkey. Earlier reports said the Premier and Cabinet had resigned, but their resignations were not accepted by President Ismet Inonu.—United Press.

Normal Conditions In Occupied China

Shanghai, January 15.

Normal conditions are fast being restored in the cities occupied by the Chinese Communists in the last few months, and both industrial and agricultural productions are approaching their prewar level.

This is claimed by the New China Agency in a series of items describing living conditions in the "liberated" areas.

Commodity prices in Hsichow—only a few weeks ago described as the "gateway to Nanking"—have fallen to the level prevailing in the surrounding "liberated" territory.

Down 20 Per Cent

Large quantities of grain, edible oils, salt and cotton have been brought into the long-isolated city of Hsueh, Shantung and Honan "liberated" areas. Food prices have dropped 20 per cent in the last few weeks.

The city's commercial streets are bustling with life. Most shops and department stores have reopened. Restoration of communications has connected Hsueh with its sister Lunghai railway town, Chongchong, and Kaitung, and with Tsinan, capital of Shantung Province.

Telephone service in the city was restored one week after its "liberation", and long distance lines between Hsueh and Suhsien have now been repaired.

Repairs Underway

Meanwhile, in the North, active repair work is underway on the Peiping-Mukden and Peiping-Hankow railways. Eight days after the occupation of Chinwangtao, the first train from Mukden ran directly to the North China sea port. Chinwangtao railway workers have already repaired part of the line to Tientsin.

CONSULATE SHELLED

Tientsin, January 15.
The U.S. Consulate in this North China city has been damaged by an explosion resulting from intensified Communist shelling.

Consul General Robert L. Smythe has informed the State Department an explosion blew out door and windows of the Consulate and injured one Chinese employee.

The blast came when a shell blew up tanks of the Shell Oil Company on the bank of the Hai Ho Ti River. Fires spread rapidly to buildings surrounding the Shell plant.

Members of the Consulate staff of 14, including several women, were barricaded within the Consulate building.

Altogether, the Consulate has announced, there are about 83 Americans in the Tientsin area, exclusive of any military personnel who may be there.—Associated Press.

Kuomintang Seeks Pro-Chiang Peace

Nanking, January 15.

Kuomintang members were today still seeking a peace formula acceptable to the Communists and yet practicable for themselves as news reached the capital of the latest North China reverses.

Yesterday's political debate, observers thought, indicated a slight swing away from the "Chiang must go" faction to policy expressed by the Generalissimo.

All-out War

Senior generals believed the all-out war would have to be continued until the right moment for a peace pact came. The Kuomintang Government was counting on second observers to be the expected delivery of the Big Four powers' reply to the Government's request for their good offices to settle the civil war.

Kuomintang members were now pinning greater faith on a favourable Big Four answer, observers thought.

It was not because the prospects of international intervention had improved, but because the Tientsin peace mission had failed to halt the Communists' intensified attack in the North and because members were not becoming any more convinced that the peace-making faction could achieve very much short of surrender.

The Road Back

To many, the road back towards Taiwan appeared the only practical alternative.

Meanwhile, in some circles the methods of employing foreign good offices were being explored. Plans for a Shanghai Political Consultative Conference were published locally. A six-party Interim Coalition Government was proposed, and Big Four mediation, were the Consultative Conference to fail to obtain two-thirds majority, was suggested.

The authors of the plan were a group of University professors who also wanted the People's Opinion Assembly to amend China's Constitution.

After a one-year period, the professors proposed elections for a new Government based on the new Constitution.—Reuter.

U.S. Wants Italy In Defence Pact

Washington, January 15.

The United States, in the Atlantic Pact negotiations, is urging Britain to consider Italy's admission to the pact, not only on military aspects but on morale factors as well.

The United States feels that Western Europe should be regarded as a solid bloc, especially from the Benelux to Italy through France. Even if Italy is now too weak militarily to contribute to the proposed pact, the United States feels the

following factors should be considered:

1. The authority of the Italian Government will be heightened.

2. The morale of the Italian people will receive valuable encouragement.

3. Italy will have a real feeling of belonging to the Western group of nations.

4. Italy can join in General Staff plans for Western Europe at Fontainebleau.

5. It may hasten agreement among the Western nations on the former Italian colonies, with Italy as a full partner in the pact.

Britain apparently has agreed to continue to study the matter, but the British General Staff is still urging the military aspects on the British Government.

It is pointed out that until Italy is able to increase its Army divisions to the limit allowed by the peace treaty and to arm them with modern weapons within that limit, Italy will be a liability and consequently will better be omitted from the pact for the time being.—United Press.

Washington, January 14.

The Air Force today announced that President Truman had approved the purchase of 168 jet fighters and some trainer planes, including 48 Northrop P-89 all-weather jet fighters, 110 Lockheed P-51 all-weather fighters, and an unannounced number of trainers.—United Press.

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Mercy Move Blocked

Chicago, January 14.

A Federal Judge today advised a former merchant sailor to ask President Truman's permission to return to Japan to see his wife and child.

Judge Walter La Bay suggested a Presidential petition after he dismissed a motion filed in a Federal court by Irving Banachik, 22, to recover 200 vials of the drug confiscated under export laws.

Banachik said he had wanted to send the streptomycin to the Red Cross in Tokyo, to be used in treating Takako Kurooka, 22, of Nagoya, who is seriously ill from tuberculosis.

Export laws permit only \$100 worth of goods a week to be shipped outside the United States.

The Chicago ex-Marine met Miss Kurooka in 1945 in a bookstore and visited her home on his frequent voyages to Japan.—United Press.

Fighting In North Malaya

Singapore, January 15.

Six Gurkhas were killed and five wounded when British security forces in Northern Malaya clashed with a large Communist force, it was announced on Friday.

A patrol of 35 Gurkhas and seven police under a British Gurkha officer met the terrorists in Kedah on Thursday.

One policeman, who was captured by the terrorists and released, said that he was interviewed by a Japanese officer who was among the terrorists.

In other anti-Communist patrols, five terrorists were killed in Central Malaya.—Associated Press.

APPEAL MADE FOR CHINA REFUGEES

Geneva, January 14.

The International Refugee Organisation tonight appealed to China, Britain, the United States and 20 other countries to give homes to 6,000 refugees from Shanghai, most of them White Russians.

The Organisation has already begun to evacuate them from Shanghai to the Philippines, where they have been offered temporary shelter for four months.

The acting chief of IRO said tonight: "We are faced with a real emergency which must have the generous support of these nations."—Reuter.

PEACE MEETING

Rhodes, January 14.

Jewish and Egyptian delegates today approved the first item in the programme drawn up by the United Nations Palestine mediator, Dr. Ralph Bunche, as the basis for their armistice negotiations.

The item calls for assurances that the present truce will continue during negotiations, a formal armistice and the two countries will respect each other's sovereignty and national security.

Today's meeting, marking the second day of the armistice discussions, lasted only 15 minutes. Dr. Bunche presided.—United Press.

MONTGOMERY CANCELS VISIT

Hamburg, January 14.

The Rhine Army Headquarters announced that Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery cancelled his visit today to units in Hanover district owing to a heavy cold. The Field Marshal arrived in Germany two days ago with a bad cold, which was better today. But, as he is going to Holland tomorrow, he was anxious not to jeopardise his recovery.—Reuter.

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BEVIN SAID SERIOUSLY ILL

Washington, January 15.

Martin Agronsky, radio news commentator, said yesterday that the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, is seriously ill of a heart ailment and has been advised by his physicians to resign.

In an American Broadcasting Company broadcast, Mr. Agronsky said that Mr. Bevin has delegated most of his duties to aides, but still insists on personally handling policy on Palestine.

Mr. Agronsky said that his information came from a well-informed person just returned from London.

Mr. Agronsky said that Mr. Bevin's conduct of Palestine policy generally had deeply split the British Cabinet and

thus had extended to the leadership of the Labour Party itself.

Deeply Resented

This criticism within the government and from the public, Mr. Agronsky continued, had been deeply resented by Mr. Bevin.

"Mr. Bevin's intimate friends say that this resentment has aggravated his heart condition, and his doctors, recognizing this, have constantly been urging Mr. Bevin to realize that if he wishes to recover, he must retire from public life," said Mr. Agronsky.

Meanwhile a British Foreign Office spokesman in London said yesterday that Mr. Bevin is at present in excellent health.

The spokesman said that considering the volume of work Mr. Bevin had to handle during the past few weeks, he is looking and feeling remarkably fit.—Associated Press.

Agreement With France

London, January 14.

It was announced today that France and Britain had attained extremely far-reaching agreement on all international problems.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, made the statement after two days' talks with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin.

The British Foreign Office supplemented M. Schuman's enthusiastic announcement by saying the two diplomats, aside from reaching agreement on European problems, had reached agreement on methods of extending to other parts of the world the close co-operation which already exists in European affairs.

Mr. Schuman admitted that there was still some small disagreement between Britain and France on Germany. But, he said:

"There was more agreement between us than there exists often between members of the same government. Whatever small misunderstandings still exist, there is still the best chance of finding an agreement agreeable to both sides."

The Foreign Office said the two Ministers had a detailed exchange of views on all current international problems, particularly Germany, the European Union, Atlantic Pact, the Mediterranean, Middle East and South East Asia.—United Press.

DEFENCELESS IN ATOM ATTACK

Chicago, January 15.

Three atomic physicians today warned that the nation's major cities are unprepared to cope with an atom bomb attack, which would kill one-third of their population outright.

They said: "Medically, the United States is hardly better off with an atomic bomb attack on one of its major cities than the Japanese were at Nagasaki."

They urge organization and mobilization steps in all large cities in order that doctors may save at least one-third of the population.

The physicians, Leon Jacobson and two others formerly connected with the Manhattan project, wrote in the Journal of the

American Medical Association: "One third of the population of a bombed city will be killed outright or will die weeks later as a result of radiation."

They brought to medical attention, but another third of the population will survive providing medical care is quickly and adequately provided for."

The physicians said the remaining third will have a fair chance with medical aid unless epidemics break out.—United Press.

REDS ENTER TIENTSIN

Shanghai, January 15.

The Communist bombardment of Tientsin subsided at midnight when Communist infantry were seen marching in good order, without resistance, into the Chinese city about four and a half kilometres from the business centre, according to reliable reports here this morning.

It is not yet clear whether this is the beginning of a peaceful take-over, although gunfire was still audible in the outskirts.—Router.

ROMULO LEAVES FOR NEW DELHI

Manila, January 15.

Ambassador Carlos P. Romulo left Manila for New Delhi this morning for a South East Asia conference called by Premier Nehru.

Romulo indicated the Philippine position last night when he said "peace and stability can be achieved in Asia only in proportion as its people are given freedom to which they are entitled and the right of equal partnership with others in building of a better world."

The conference has been called by Prime Minister Nehru to deal with the Indonesian question.—Associated Press.

DEFENCE MINISTERS BEGIN SECRET TALKS

Brussels, January 14.

The Defence Ministers of the five Western Union powers—Britain, France, Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg—began secret talks in the Belgian Ministry of Defence today.

In addition to the delegations of the Western Union powers, American and Canadian observers were present. The conference, which had been expected to last at least two days, finished its work in five hours.

Practical Steps

According to an official communiqué issued tonight, the Defence Ministers today considered "the practical steps being taken to achieve a common effort for the defence and security of Western Europe."

The Ministers reviewed the work done by the defence organization of the Brussels Treaty powers since their last meeting in Paris on September 27 and 28, the communiqué said.

The Ministers "adopted" certain recommendations on forces and equipment made to them by the Chiefs of Staff Committee and the Military Supply Board.

The communiqué added: "The Military Supply Board was established by the Ministers of Defence at their meeting on September 27 and 28. It deals with the questions of the production and provision of supplies and equipment to meet the needs of the armed forces."

"It is composed of one high-ranking representative from each of the five powers and is served by a Permanent Supply Executive Committee now established in London."

"The Ministers agreed upon the type of organization required for the raising and training of national armed forces. The Ministers of Defence took note of the progress so far made by the Finance and Economic Committee set up by the Foreign Ministers at their meeting in Paris on October 25 and 28 in finding solutions to the financial and economic problems raised by the organization of the defence of Western Europe," the communiqué said.

A Few Months

The French Defence Minister, M. Paul Ramadier, said as he left the conference room: "Now the Western Union's defence organizations are lined up."

up, it will be a few months before a general view of things can be gained."

M. Ramadier revealed that the five Defence Ministers would meet next at The Hague in March or April.

Observers believed the Ministers reviewed the Western Union defence schemes in the light of a report made by the Chairman of the Western Union Defence Committee, Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, after his recent tour of inspection of the five powers' armed forces.

Speculation had centred on the effect on the defence schemes of the proposed Atlantic Pact, and the Ministers were expected to make an inventory of the manpower and economic potential of the nations concerned in the proposed pact.

Training Methods

The conference, it was also understood, studied means of standardizing arms equipment and training methods for the forces of the five powers, and a scheme for the interchange of bases and airfields for training powers.

Also on the agenda, it was understood, was the question of the supply of British jet planes to the other Western Union countries and the development of similar planes in Belgium and Holland.—Router.

SHANGHAI DEFENCELESS

Shanghai, January 15.

Shanghai has few, if any, fortified military posts around the perimeter of the former International Settlement and the French Concession to defend this city in the event of an attack by the Communist army.

A North China Daily News reporter, in a tour of the perimeter, found little evidence of fortification of buildings in that area.

Previous reports that Chinese soldiers were digging trenches were found to be without foundation. Here and there, however, small parties of Chinese soldiers and labourers were seen constructing mud pillboxes.

These pillboxes were of small size, and it is estimated that each could not hold more than three men.

Every one of these pillboxes, without exception, was built on elevated ground with clearances of 50 yards or more.—Router.

Attempt To Play Down Differences

Washington, January 14.

A concerted effort is under way to play down British-American differences on Palestine to give the Rhodes peace talks a better chance of success.

Despite some rumblings in Congress against British policy in the Middle East, both British and American officials echoed President Truman's press conference statement that relations between the United States and Britain were not strained.

In the meantime, Mr. Truman conferred with two foreign officials in touch with the Palestine crisis, the Prime Minister of New Zealand (Mr. Peter Fraser) and the former Prime Minister of Transjordan (Mamill-Rifal Pasha).

He also accepted the resignation of Mr. Joseph Keenan, United States member of the United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission.

Mr. Keenan, who prosecuted the Japanese war criminals in Tokyo, told Mr. Truman in his letter of resignation that conditions had arisen pertaining to his personal affairs which made it impossible for him to go to Europe for the Commission's meetings.

Asked whether he had discussed the fighting in Indonesia with the President, Mr. Fraser replied: "There are many things more important than Indonesia."

Mr. Fraser said, when asked if he had taken up the Palestine question with the President: "There are many things more important than Palestine—Indonesia, for example."—United Press.

PLENTY OF ROOM IN AUSTRALIA

Hobart, January 14.

Australia could support a population of 80 million on European standards, and even more on Indian and Chinese standards, Dr. Genfili, of the University of Western Australia, told a Science Congress here today.

On American living standards, it could support a population of about 13,000,000, he added.

The 1946 census estimated Australia's population at 7,448,003.—Router.

British Doctors May Consider Striking

London, January 14.

The Medical World, organ of the British Medical Practitioners' Union, today warned that the Union "far from ruling out strike action, considers it a practical possibility during the coming year, if its demands were not fulfilled."

Such an action on the part of the medical profession, the journal said, would only be undertaken after very careful consideration of the doctors' own interests and those of the community.

Dr. D. G. Gower, General Secretary of the Union, told a reporter today that its present membership was 4,800.

"I think that withholding doctors' services from the public altogether is out of the question," he said. "No doctor would refuse to attend a sick person—it is an ethical question. A strike of doctors would not take the same form as the miners' strikes."

"Our policy has never been to advocate strike action as a means of obtaining what the profession wants."

"The suggestion has been put forward that doctors should resign from the National Health Service as a method of protesting, but it would never be a question of the doctors withholding their services from the public, which is what a strike would mean."

(The Practitioners' Union is a trade union, as distinct from the British Medical Association, which is a professional organization).—Router.

Increased Fees

A deputation from the Union, which supports the National Health Service, recently asked the Minister of Health, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, for increased fees under the scheme, which would cost the nation a further £10,000,000 a year.

The Trades Union Congress (to which the Union is affiliated) has officially supported the Union's claims.

An official of the British Medical Association, which has over 81,000 members, commenting on the article, said:

U.S. FAVOURS NEHRU PLAN?

New Delhi, January 15.

Mr. Loy Henderson, the United States Ambassador to India, on Friday supported Mr. Nehru's views on the scope of the Asian conference according to the Government radio here on Friday night.

The radio quoted Mr. Henderson telling newsmen in Calcutta: "Any regional conference which intends to support the United Nations will be of great help to the world. I am sure the United States Government will share this view."—Associated Press.

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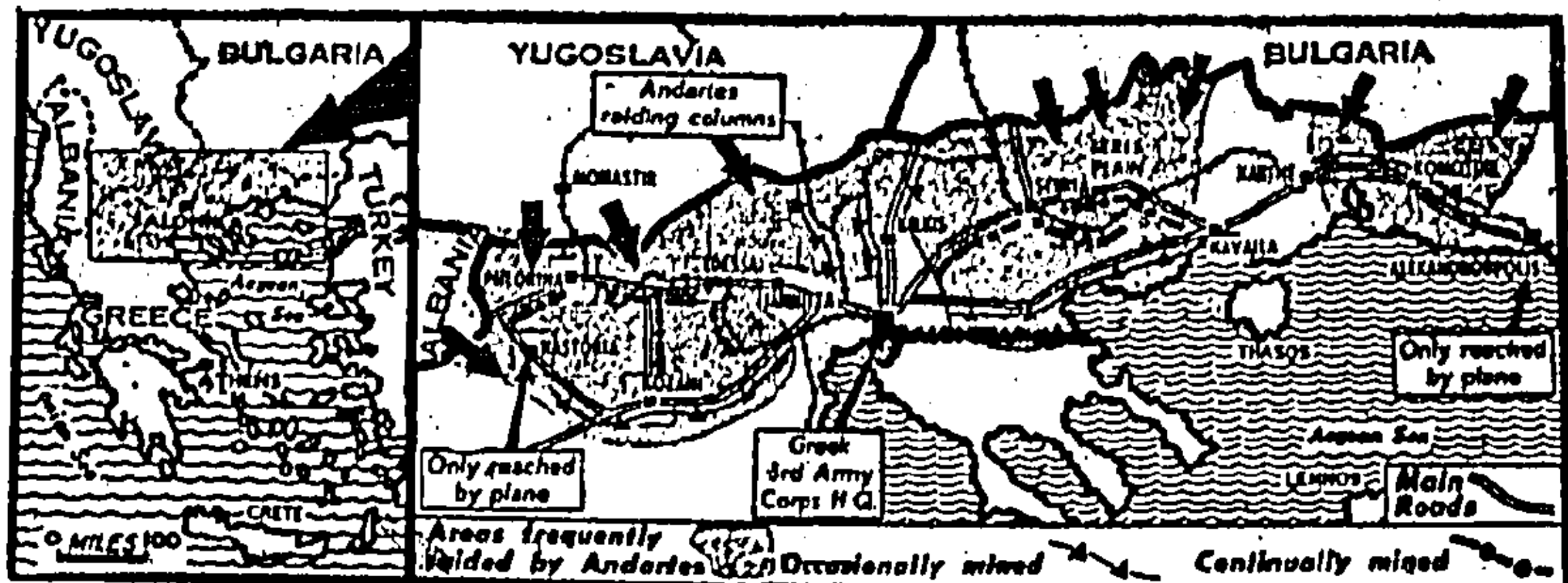
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THE TRAGEDY THAT IS GREECE

By JUDY COWELL,

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Greece is part of the Balkan Peninsula, but economically she is dominated, unfortunately, by the United States of America.

An aged, almost-dying man—Prime Minister Themistocles Sophoulis—represents her leadership, and the only voice which gets a hearing internationally.

She is socially more than a hundred years behind the rest of Europe. But her tragedy is that in this year 1949 Greece is killing Greek. Four years after her liberation she is entering her ninth year of war.

The country of the Hellenes is divided into two parts—Athens and Greece. In the mountainous hinterland outside Athens there is today no security of either life or land.

Excuse For All

For the Greek farmer and peasant misery, maiming, squallor and upathy are the fruits of a succession of wars and a succession of Greek Governments, a succession in which the same personalities reappear as in a reshuffled pack of cards—a pack where civil war is the trump always played as the excuse for every shortcoming.

For four years the Greek soldier and his indispensable mate have been holding a mountain frontier nearly 1,000 miles in length, and in some places nearly 10,000 ft. high.

The ordinary private soldier in the Greek National Army—the GNA as it is called—is desperately tired. Leave is so rare as to be almost non-existent. A tough, sturdy, first-class fighting man, the Greek soldier in his fixed position on the mountain-top does not know whether his own village is a smouldering ruin or a deserted rubble-heap. He does not desert, but his morale is low.

In the High Command of the GNA are some few—all too few—first-class professional soldiers. But these men cannot be heard above the babel of political talk that rises from the coffee-tables and the bars of Athens.

Sea To Safety

Meanwhile Salonika, port and virtual capital of Northern Greece, has this New Year been shelled by the artillery of the bandits, or "andartes."

In Athens the price of calques (small, graceful sailing craft, usually fitted with a small diesel engine) rises to a new high level. In these ships it is possible to reach Egypt and safety.

The Governor of Northern Epirus wishes to make a decision to sanction. This in a country torn by civil war.

The American people have paid to date the sum of \$300,000,000 dollars for aid to Greece. This year 1949, from the period April 1948 to March 1949, 172,000,000 dollars are being allocated by direct grant to the Greek Government for reconstruction. Of this vast sum, originally intended for peaceful purposes, increasing amounts are being diverted to military requirements as the civil war drags on.

The British taxpayer has from 1944-48 spent approximately £200,000,000 in military and economic aid to Greece.

Meanwhile throughout Greece the discontent smoulders and spreads like a health fire. Three thousand "alleged" Reds have been arrested this past week in the Peloponnese. The "alleged" is American quotes, not mine. The Peloponnese is far away from the Northern borders of Greece.

No Bread Ration

Sound practical administrative measures—instead of phrasemongering in Athens—could arrest the discontent. For the past eight weeks there has been no administration in the provinces. Great tickets have not been honoured. Refugees continue to pour in a panic-stricken flood along the roads of Greece, hindering the military, a problem for the civilian authorities.

The Americans are alive to all these problems of Greece. Their Four-Year Plan is a masterpiece of scientific planning.

On December 10 ECA announced a comprehensive programme of electric power supply and water utilisation.

The soil of Greece is poor and a major scheme for soil conservation and land reclamation costing some 20,000,000 drachmas (3,250,000 dollars) has been started.

Road building and bridge reconstruction have been carried on for the past year. Some 14,000 kilometres of highways have been re-surfaced.

But, in any case, while the man-power of Greece is held in combat on the Northern frontiers it is difficult to see how dollars alone can avert the tragedy of Red revolution and anarchy towards which Greece is heading.

UNCLE SAM HOLDS THE FLYER'S HAND

A brand new coast-to-coast road stretches across the United States. It is 3,000 miles long, 10 miles wide, and its signposts bear letters 10-20 ft. high.

It is America's Skyway Number One. This country's first road air "road" for private flyers runs from Washington to Los Angeles. It is all-the-way, 40-mile width has been most carefully charted and covers the safest ground for weather, emergency landings, and petrol supplies.

Basically the route is intended for "contact" flying, for flying always within sight of the ground, of the giant signposts, and of landmarks which make map-reading simple.

This is the first of such aerial highways, and there is need for them in Britain where private flying is more than just a flip round the countryside at weekends, usually within 30 miles of the home airfield.

Out of a total of 98,000 civil aircraft in the U.S. some 80,000 are used for private flying, mainly small, single-engine, two-, three-, or four-seater planes. Sixty per cent of these are privately owned, the rest are either flying-school machines, air taxis or fly-yourself hire-craft.

New Pilots

Some idea of what this private flying adds up to here can be judged from the fact that during last year alone up to October 1, 12,784 new pilots obtained licenses.

By Richard Greenough

The Deep South, depending on the prevailing weather—5,000 cities and towns have co-operated. They have seen to it that the Skyway One sign, with other important information, has been painted on rooftops and other flat surfaces, even on open macadam highways.

And in the open countryside the same information is displayed by raised-metal, wooden, or stone lettering, even by means of specially planted shrubs. Lettering on painted signs must be 10 ft. high, 20 ft. for all others.

Towns Named

In addition to the Skyway One sign which shows pilots they are on their 40-mile-wide course, letters spell out the locality with the name of the nearest big town, and a circle with an arrow points to the nearest airfield, giving the distance in figures.

Separate longer arrow signs, which are plentiful, indicate true North, and on each side they are flanked with figures stating the exact latitude and longitude in degrees and minutes.

Everything is done to make pin-pointing a position on the map kindergarten work for the most amateur pilot.

Some of these signs are lit up at night, but as Skyway One is intended primarily for the amateur and not for the skilled night pilot, illumination is really meant to help late stragglers trying to make it before daylight.

The air scores of airfields and petrol stations dotted along this route. Some have sprung up because of Skyway One.

Most of them are near big towns, but quite a number of smaller fields and emergency strips have been prepared out in the open country near roadside mining stations or farmsteads.

Over difficult or mountainous country, and where human habitation is scanty, the middle of Skyway One usually follows a broad main roadway, not only as an easy aid to navigation, but as a possible emergency landing strip.

Four-Day Trip

Flying coast to coast along this route in a small two- or three-seater can be done without strain in four days. Total cost for two, with all petrol, oil, hangar charges, food, and overnight living expenses, comes to about \$250.

Compare that with the New York Automobile Club's calculation that by road, and driving fast, the coast-to-coast trip takes seven days, with an overall running and living cost for two people of \$42.

Perhaps it is not surprising that there is such a rush for new pilot's tickets.

HOW YOU WILL FLY NEXT

Air travellers may before long find themselves rocket-propelled from air to air, as the 12 U.S. airmen rescued from the Greenland ice-cap by this form of assisted take-off.

The ski-equipped Dakota which landed on the Arctic ice to take off the marooned Americans could not have taken off again on her engines alone.

There was not enough room to gain flying speed. So the pilot pressed an electric button to touch off rockets that had been attached to both sides of the fuselage. With this extra boost the plane jumped off the ice with ease.

The U.S. Air Force has been using Jato—Jet Assisted Take-Off—for a long time now. Our own Royal Navy used a British version during the war to get heavily laden Seafires and Swordfish off the decks of escort-carriers. They called it Ratog—Rocket Assisted Take-Off Gear—and the propellant was cordite.

So far the abilities of the world have been suspicious of this device for increasing payload and cutting down take-off runs. They have been afraid that the noise and smoke of the rockets and the plane's fast, steep-angle climb might scare passengers.

But many experts in England and America are convinced that in a few years all airlines or certain routes will be fitted with Jato or Ratog as a matter of course.

They will be a boon at airports where the air is so hot or so thin, because of the height above sea level—that excessively long take-off runs are needed. This cuts

down payload and can make a plane uneconomical like the Tudors on the Johannesburg run.

Many times during the past two years people passing the De Havilland aerodrome at Hatfield, Hertfordshire, have been amazed to see four-engined Lancasters virtually leap off the runway.

As makers of the Vampire jet fighter, De Havillands obviously have a strong interest in the military application of Ratog. It might also be useful for their fore-jet, 500-m.p.h. Comet airliner now taking shape at Hatfield in secrecy.

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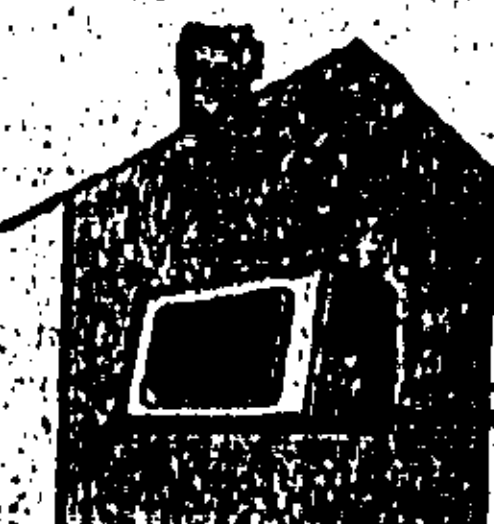
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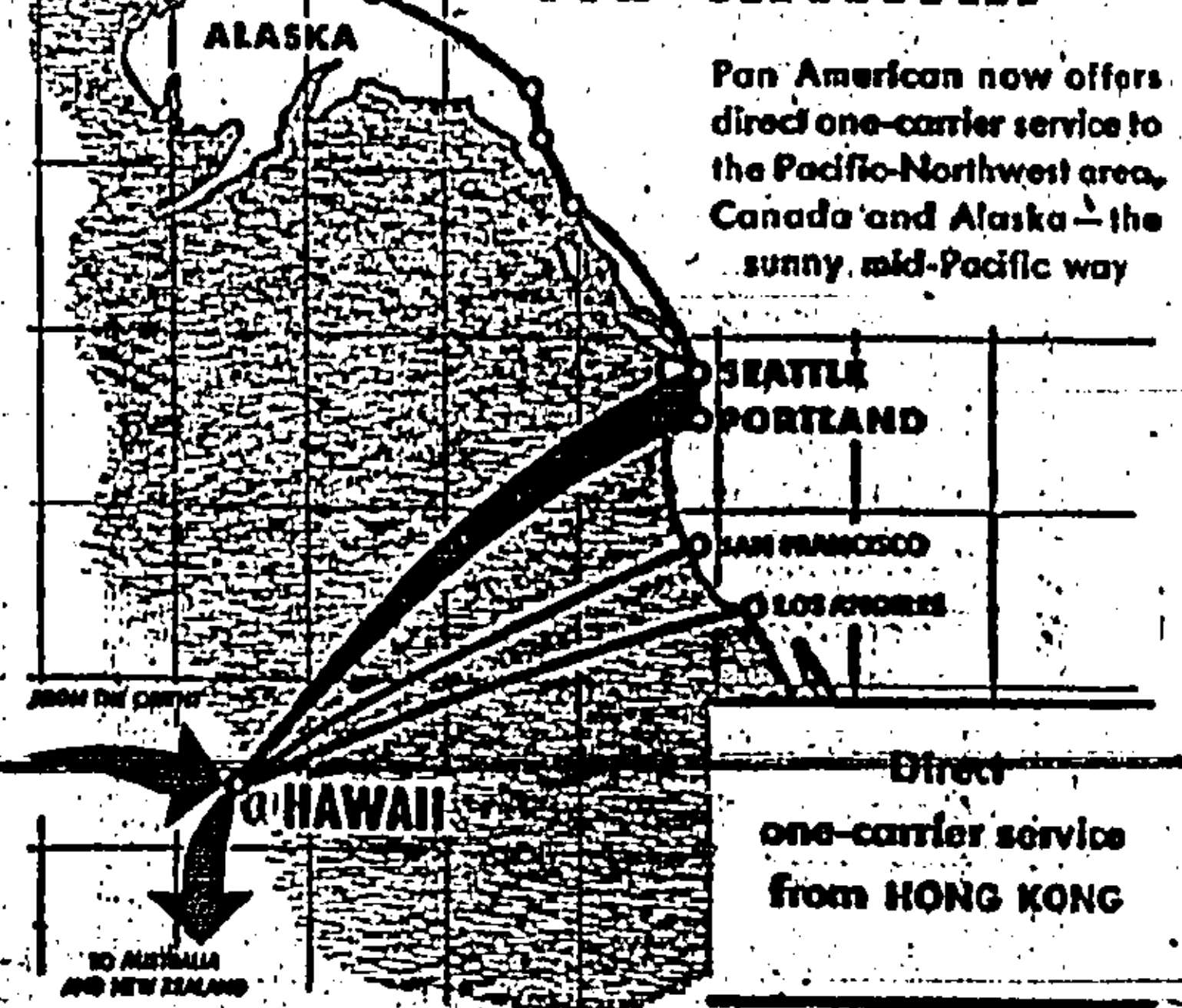
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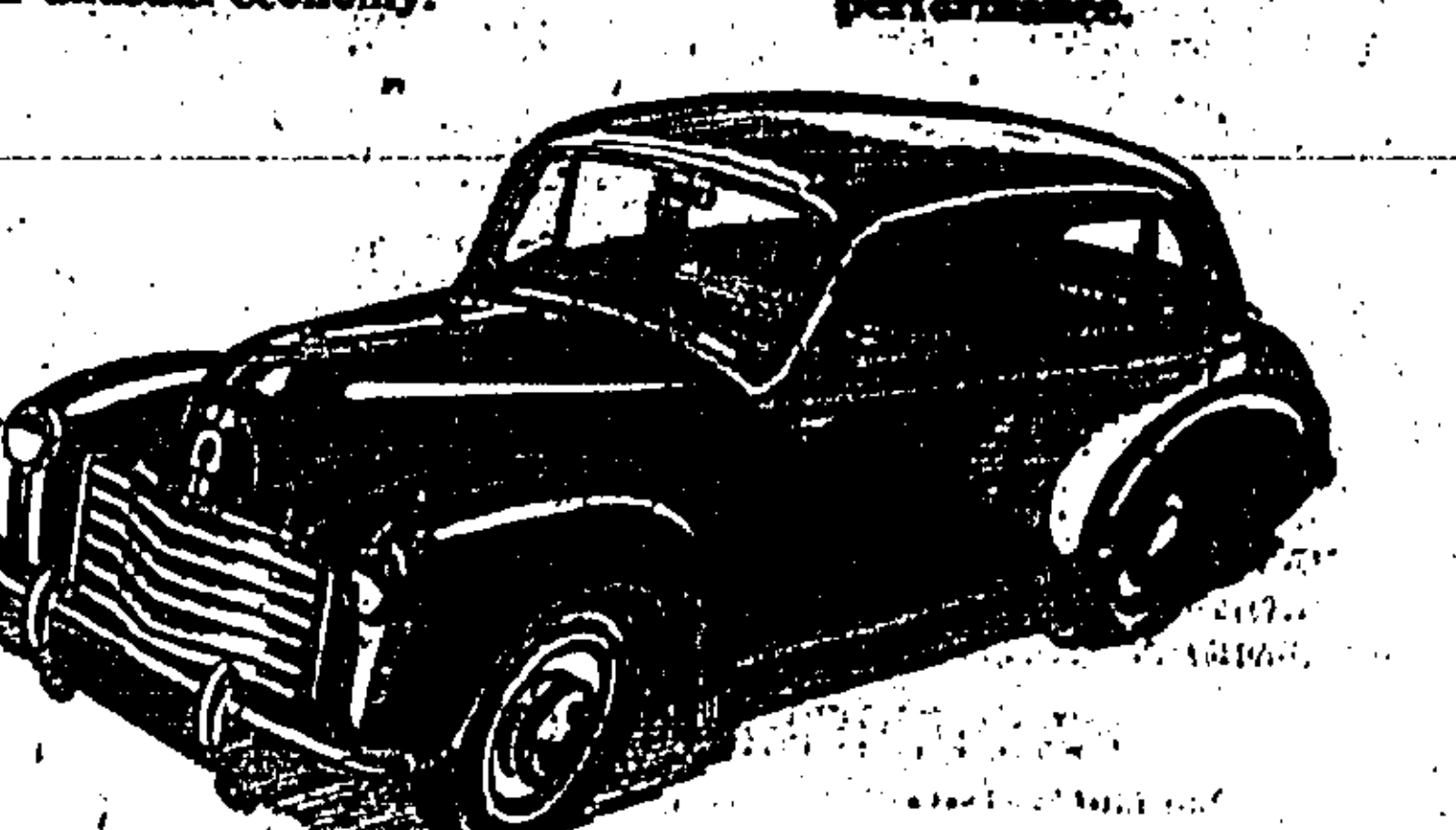
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RENT CONTROLS

The firmest resistance must be offered to any proposals for amendment of the existing Landlord and Tenant Ordinance which would tend to throw the whole problem back into the melting-pot. Such a course would be little short of disastrous. There will however be considerable sympathy with some of the points made by landlords in representations which it is proposed to make to the Government through the General Chamber of Commerce. Nothing existing legislation provides has achieved any important results in abolishing the key-money racket, and where the landlords themselves are not the culprits, there is a natural source of grievance and irritation which might easily be remedied with minor modifications of the law. This concerns all types of property, but it pertains more particularly to business premises in the Central District, where the demand for office space apparently continues undiminished, where mushroom firms are endeavouring to cash in quickly and handsomely before giving up business and where the rights of re-entry by breach of the conditions of landlords against tenants in arrears are so restricted that open bargaining continues with no sign of check. Cases were quoted to us yesterday of a demand for \$80,000 key-money and a rental of \$1,500 monthly for an office with a floor space of a little over 1,000 square feet, of a demand for \$17,000 key-money for an office 260 square feet in area, and of other demands in much the same proportions. In none of these operations is the actual landlord of the premises concerned, or even cognisant of the proposed transactions. When, subsequently, landlords become aware that a tenancy has changed hands, the existing machinery for dealing with any dispute concerning such unauthorised tenancy is so complicated, and so slow in its operation, that in many cases they feel compelled to abandon their legal rights rather than bog themselves down in the waste of time and money required to assert them. The many cases of this nature are not necessarily on all fours. But it must inevitably increase the landlords' bitterness when they are aware that their property is being practically bought and sold over their heads and that they can do nothing about it except as the result of protracted legal processes, in which the final decision cannot always with certainty be predicted. Some changes have been made from the original measure to reduce this difficulty, but it still seems that useful purpose might be served by further examination of our legislation with a view to meeting some of the landlords' legitimate protests without disturbing the main purpose of the Ordinance. It is easy for instance to agree in principle to a standardised tenancy agreement form, and the proposal to set up a government committee as a Fair Rents Tribunal would be welcomed by those occupying newly constructed property. To a large extent this might also be held to justify a removal of restrictions from business premises, which have been the chief reason of scandal. Residential property comes into an entirely different category, affecting as it does the mass of the population in one form or another. Conditions within the Colony must be much more stable before any interruption of rent control here can be contemplated for a moment.

COMMONSENSE ABOUT JAVA

The United Nations Organisation has not covered itself with glory by its dealings with the problem of Java, nor is it likely to serve the best interests of mankind there unless it greatly modifies a policy which up to now has been neither realistic nor just. Fundamentally, it has no right to act there at all. Its only proper concern is with the relations between sovereign States. The so-called "Indonesian Republic" is not, and never has been, a sovereign State. It began as a puppet State set up by the Japanese. Dr. Soekarno, who is still the nominal head of the nominal Republic, was simply an Indonesian Quisling.

When Japan was defeated in 1945, the natural and loyal thing would have been that the United Nations should have put down her puppet in Indonesia and hand the islands back to their ally, the Netherlands. But this was not done. Great Britain's excuse was that she had not sufficient forces locally available, and her motive that, like in India, in Australia and in the United States, loud voices were raised against the Dutch, and she was disinclined to affront opinion here and elsewhere. Meanwhile, as soon as the Dutch were able to send forces they set about recovering Java almost without resistance, and would very soon have done so completely had not the United Nations intervened and prescribed a cease-fire.

Police Action

This intervention by the Security Council was outside international law and outside the constitution of United Nations. No nation represented on the Security Council had recognised the "Republic" and the Dutch claim to be sovereign in their own house was impregnable at law. They have just as much right to call what they do "police action" as, in very similar circumstances, we have in Malaya. Nevertheless, confronted with such imposing international pressure, the Dutch being a small nation, prudently took note and, while affirming the sovereignty of the Netherlands throughout Indonesia, sought to arrange a compromise allowing the "Republic" to enjoy a large measure of autonomy within the parts of Java and Sumatra which they still retained. Two treaties contemplating a solution on these lines—Linggajati (1947) and Ren-

ville (1948)—were accepted by Dr. Soekarno and his Government; and each drew a state of truce was prolonged to allow of necessary further negotiations.

The subsequent course of events has been highly unsatisfactory. The Government of the "Republic" behaved quite irresponsibly, lacking either the will or the power to prevent its own partisans from incessantly breaking both truces, and showing no sign

By Scrutator

of sincerity at any point. A Good Offices Committee sent by the Security Council did not help towards a settlement. So matters drifted, and one negotiation failed after another, until the long patience of the Dutch was exhausted.

The other day they launched another operation; and by their first move captured the President, the Prime Minister, the Commander-in-Chief, and all the foremost politicians of the "Republic." Very little resistance was encountered, in a few days all Java was in Dutch hands; and, though for general reasons a parallel operation in Sumatra took a little longer, no real difficulty seems to have arisen there.

At a meeting of the Council in Paris, the United States delegates strongly attacked the Dutch, and tabled a resolution demanding an immediate cease-fire and withdrawal to the true lines of a year ago. In reply the Dutch delegate stated his country's case, but the next day's meeting brought further hot attacks from Australia and China and (hottest of all) Soviet Russia. So it went on through a series of meetings until the Council adjourned. Many resolutions were moved, but few were carried: one being for a cease-fire, to which the Dutch promised to conform. They could do so because their success was complete.

What a sham the "Republic" was may be judged by the fact that the Dutch were under a hundred in all, the "Republic" under 300. At that price the entire "Republican" territory was taken over. No doubt some further troubles may follow of the sort which met us in Malaya; for latterly the connection between Russia and the "Republic" had been intimate and a chief reason for the Dutch action was a

campaign of murders similar to Malayan and prompted from the same source. But the Dutch should find them easier to deal with, now that the murders no longer have a "Republican" base and refuge.

Now what is the interest of the world in the Indonesian islands? Surely, the restoration to them of the peace and productivity which were theirs before the war. Java down to 1941 was a kind of miracle. The Dutch had solved what we in India had not, the problem of increasing productivity faster than population among an exceptionally dense and prolific people. The island was one of the world's chief food sources; and, if one asks why mankind has gone so short of rice, fats and sugar since 1945, the answer is largely to be found in the Indonesian islands. Now what is the interest of the world in the Indonesian islands? Surely, the restoration to them of the peace and productivity which were theirs before the war. Java down to 1941 was a kind of miracle. The Dutch had solved what we in India had not, the problem of increasing productivity faster than population among an exceptionally dense and prolific people. The island was one of the world's chief food sources; and, if one asks why mankind has gone so short of rice, fats and sugar since 1945, the answer is largely to be found in the Indonesian islands. Now what is the interest of the world in the Indonesian islands? Surely, the restoration to them of the peace and productivity which were theirs before the war. Java down to 1941 was a kind of miracle. The Dutch had solved what we in India had not, the problem of increasing productivity faster than population among an exceptionally dense and prolific people. The island was one of the world's chief food sources; and, if one asks why mankind has gone so short of rice, fats and sugar since 1945, the answer is largely to be found in the Indonesian islands.

Fresh Thinking Needed

Some of the nations who have been blind to all this have been swayed by perhaps inevitable passions. Such are India, China and Ceylon, siding with the Asians against the white man. Another has deliberately welcomed a worsening of the world-crisis; that is Russia. But why are the United States and Australia in this galaxy? The United States got there because in 1945 her foreign policy was incoherent and much influenced by trade interests, which thought they could see bigger concessions out of ignorant and venal Indonesians than out of the knowledgeable Dutch. Now that Mr. Marshall has restored coherence over many fields, might not his Department do some fresh thinking about this one? And Australia? Nothing could be blinder than that a country with colonies should support UNO's colonial interference or that a people devoted to a White Australia should seek to expel white influence from its next-door populous neighbour. And ourselves? Well, it is awkward to dissent from America and Australia; but it is not also rather awkward to cripple an important partner in Western Union?

HARD WORK WILL WIN BRITAIN'S WAR

In making any study of the future we are helped by the White Paper recently published by the British Government and drafted for the benefit of the Office of European Economic Co-operation.

I pay at least this tribute to our Socialist Government's White Paper—that it has largely given up the pretence of talking about blue-prints for industry and does not say very much about "planning."

Everything In

By the way, Sir Stafford Cripps uses the phrase "democratic planning." The phrase is a delicious subtlety, and it crops up again in the White Paper. It is employed to conceal a very serious case, which attacks Socialists.

"Planning," you see, means planning, and frequently owning all the means of production, distribution and exchange. It means, for example, collecting all the materials, either by bulk buying, licensing, or controls, and then telling you and me where we are to work, how much we are to be paid, and what we are to make.

That is the sort of planning in which countries such as Russia indulge. It is at least a PLAN, and it produces a very nearly determinable result.

But, of course, in the process of getting that result it does, on its way, cancel all hope of individual liberty, since the planning involves organising, i.e., controlling, the lives of the people who produce, or who distribute.

No Harmony

"Democratic planning" in the phrase of Sir Stafford Cripps, simply means a production scheme that won't work.

It won't work because it tries to harmonise two things which are in perpetual discord—a regimentation of the people and human liberty itself.

Let me remind you that liberty is not an absolute thing at all. Liberty is only the power of doing something which one people don't want yet to do; and planning is the ability to make people do what

you want them to do. So you can never mix up liberty and an overall plan.

But I fear I am becoming tinged with politics, whereas I had intended to praise the White

By Oliver Lyttelton, MP

Paper for avoiding, or, at any rate, almost avoiding, talk of plans and of blue-prints.

In fact, it is largely a discussion of the targets at which we are to aim in the next year, and of those at which we should aim, or perhaps aim, during the four years ending in the middle of 1952—when Marshall Aid is due to finish.

The agreed object of the whole industrial policy of this country must be to make ourselves free of the need of external aid by the middle of that decisive year of 1952.

I have always felt in my heart of hearts that we could put our national balance of payments into order.

I do not think that the present Government is doing very much that is right, but that is by the way. Yet as a Tory, I affirm frankly that the White Paper sets out a number of targets which, though they may not be attained, would appear to me to be attainable in one way or another. I find that immensely heartening.

Targets Possible

I do not think that some of the targets will, in fact, be hit. I hardly dare to believe that we shall be able to export 40,000,000 of 50,000,000 tons of coal by the middle of 1952. I rather doubt whether we shall be able to sell a volume of exports equal to 150 per cent of 1938. Still, I can see that it might be so.

In other words, although many of these admirable objectives will be difficult and some impossible, it is not wholly unrealistic to put down on paper a series of them, which are not merely expressions of hope but which it is within the bounds of possibility for us to reach.

Now, productivity can be increased mainly: (1) by working harder during the hours of work; (2) by working longer hours; and

(3) by improving methods of manufacture, and by placing in the hands of the workman more and more tools to supplement his skill by machines.

I believe myself in a high-productivity, high-wage country. What makes no sense at all is shorter hours, slacker work, higher wages, and higher taxation.

I should say, in passing, that to attempt the tooling of an industrial plant in this country upon the scale which is often seen in America is not only impossible but would be quite mistaken.

Our export trade—built up on the least predictable form of demand—bears more than twice the significance in Britain that it does to the United States.

Exports Vital

We in this country must always be flexible, depending on what we do so much more upon exports than the Americans.

Those of us who employ labour must never cease, therefore, day by day, to think of means by which the fatigue of the operatives can be lowered, and thus his or her output increased. We must always be prepared to put in new machines and to keep our plant in the most modern condition.

But may I, on the other hand, point out that after 40 years of propaganda in the contrary sense the trades union leaders and Socialist Ministers have now come to recognise that the maintenance, to say nothing of an increase, in our standards of life depends upon high levels of work, high attendance at work, and low absenteeism from work.

Machines Needed

We can help to improve the morals and steadiness of labour by a variety of means—by increasing the amenities of work by being ready to receive and reward suggestions about production, by ensuring every facility for men of ability to rise to the highest posts.

We must, however, recognise at the end of the argument about this struggle, for a prosperous peace that the same vital factors which make a successful war—hard and devoted human work and good machines.

"GRUSADE IN EUROPE"

By The Right Hon Sir James Grigg, Secretary Of State For War, 1942-45

Mr. CHURCHILL has recently made public the noble tribute to General Eisenhower which he sent to President Truman on the conclusion of the war in Europe. In addition, the three war-time British Chiefs of Staff, as well as Lord Ismay and Sir Frederick Morgan, have also sent testimonials to the General's immense services to the cause of humanity and freedom, to his outstanding success in the command of inter-allied armies and to his very real affection for this country.

With such a cloud of famous witnesses it is almost presumptuous for lesser persons to seek to praise General Eisenhower. And yet a review of "Crusade in Europe" would be a mockery if it did not chronicle that in it there appear on almost every page proofs of the General's high sense of his supranational mission, of his conviction of the necessity and virtue of inter-allied co-operation, of his skill in directing a force diverse and liable to be divergent, of his appreciation made by all the constituents of his command, and of his grief that the crusading spirit did not survive the war, so that comradeship has given place to suspicion and bickering almost to the point where the victorious crusaders fall to fighting among themselves.

Working Together

This, then, is the main feature of General Eisenhower's book—that it sets forth in warm and lofty terms the story of what is probably the most notable example of international collaboration to a great end, and that the world has ever known, a collaboration of which the success was largely due to the General himself and which indeed could not have been so effectively secured under any other commander. And this success was in no small measure attained by his great capacity for understanding and liking the various races and nationalities serving with him, and especially those of our own country and Commonwealth. Nobody could deny these things, nobody so far as I know has sought to deny them. But not to deny is not enough. We ought to affirm and re-affirm them.

There will, then, be no reference of opinion in Britain about the book as a whole. A reviewer is therefore reduced to scrutinising its minor features. Personally I am disappointed that General Eisenhower has drawn so few full and rounded portraits of those, civil or military, who were associated with him in the great adventure. There are only the barest outlines of the two Presidents—though there is the story of Mr. Truman's characteristically impulsive offer in 1945 to back the General for the Presidency in 1948; General Marshall is the subject in homage which steps only a little way this side of idolatry; there is not much about General de Gaulle and no serious attempt to depict the important Russian personalities; nearly all of the generals, airmen and sailors who served under him are given unqualified praise, while the short-comings of those who failed are charitably covered by anonymity or extenuation.

Four Instances

It is true, of course, that if the General had indulged in character drawing to the extent I could have wished his book would have been twice as long and much more controversial and its central crusading theme would have been a good deal overlaid. We

must, therefore, be grateful for the four instances in which some relief has been imparted to the figures, namely, Mr. Churchill, General Patton, Lord Alanbrooke and Field-Marshal Montgomery. Patton was often the centre of hot debate, and General Eisenhower was much criticised in America for having dealt so lightly with his too frequent ebullitions. From this book there emerges a brilliant and attractive but wayward character with undoubted touches of genius, who amply repaid in military achievement the forbearance of his chief over personal idiosyncrasies.

For Mr. Churchill, for his courage and resource, his constant vitality, his tireless loyalty, General Eisenhower clearly has the greatest admiration and affection. He is plainly struck by the Prime Minister's persistence in argument up to the very point of decision, though he remarks on the complete acceptance of adverse decisions once they had been made.

Argumentativeness

Oddly enough, the same dominating impression of argumentativeness can be seen in the references to Brooke and Montgomery, and I can accordingly understand it if to some English eyes the pictures of these two great soldiers appear to be caricatures rather than portraits. But we must remember that General Eisenhower has been the victim of some ferocious and unfair attacks in America. By some others, the egregious Mr. Ingersoll and somebody whose name I have forgotten who was Patton's Press Relations Officer. These, if my memory serves, represent General Eisenhower as no more than an ineffective figurehead and as the facile dupes of Mr. Churchill, Brooke and Montgomery.

Eisenhower certainly was no figurehead; "Crusade in Europe" shows that he was not at all a dupe of the despising British. In fact, it appears that all or nearly all of the arguments were settled in General Eisenhower's way. Those who saw things from the inside at the time will know that this is so, and that in view of the preponderance of the American final contribution, it was almost bound to be so.

Whether the American views on strategy were always right is another matter. Mr. Churchill has promised to re-argue some of the decisions in his later volumes. Lord Montgomery can hardly fail in due course to write a full and unfettered account of his campaigns. This is all to the good for, if my recollection is correct, there are some inaccuracies in General Eisenhower's volume; and certainly he dismisses too summarily Montgomery's case for a different strategy after Falaise.

However, these are minor cavils not to be made matters of major controversy. About the main virtues of the book, about the grandeur of its author's conception and fulfilment of his mission in Europe, there can be no question. And if any of us are tempted to wish that there could have been more praise of our effort and our leaders let us remind ourselves of the General's tribute to us at the Guildhall in 1945. Nothing and nobody can take away from us the glory of having stood alone for much of 1940 and 1941. Indeed, but for the British peoples' there would not have been a "Crusade in Europe."

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Dutch Trade Fears Sanctions

Manila, January 15. Dutch businessmen in Indonesia fear that the forthcoming Asian conference may vote economic sanctions against the Dutch, an American merchant who has just returned from the East Indies said on Friday.

(Twenty countries have been invited by the Indian Government to meet in New Delhi on January 20, to discuss the Indonesian question.)

The American merchant, Mr. Norman Arkin, of San Francisco, was in Jakarta when the Dutch launched the police action against the Republic.

Mr. Arkin stated that Dutch planes strafed the streets of Jogjakarta while paratroops were landing, and that bolts of cloth from his merchandise served for bandages.

He added that the Dutch ordered him to leave because he had entered Indonesian territory without their permission.—Associated Press.

NO UNION, NO ARMS

Washington, January 15. The United States served notice on Friday that countries unwilling to enter into collective defence pacts will get no American arms and defence supplies.

The State Department press officer, Mr. Michael McDermott, laid down this policy at a news conference.

Government officials said that Mr. McDermott's statement was primarily in reply to suggestions in the Swedish press that Sweden could expect American defence equipment even if it stayed out of the North Atlantic Defence Union now being formed.

Mr. McDermott said: "It is natural that such supplies as may be available should go to the countries associated with us in collective defence arrangements."—Associated Press.

MALAYAN-CHINESE UNION WELCOMED

Kuala Lumpur, January 14.

Sir Henry Gurney, the High Commissioner of the Malaya Federation, today welcomed the announcement, made yesterday, of a movement to form a Malayan-Chinese association, one of the objects of which would be to co-operate with the government and communities for the restoration of peace and good order in Malaya.

"I wish this movement all success and I hope that it will rapidly become an effective force to which all law-abiding Chinese, who regard this country as their home, can rally," he went on.

Small Man With A Gun

"I fully appreciate the position of the small man who is confronted with a gun and a demand for two dollars."

"He may not be in a position to resist, but he can give information and so save his next two dollars."

"It is the big man, who has been paying thousands of dollars, who has been prolonging the trouble by financing the bandits."

"The Government welcomes the declarations already made by associations and public bodies that these payments must cease, and the Government intends to act firmly in support of these declarations where there is any

evidence of these payments continuing.

"I am anxious that nobody should think that the emergency regulations published this week empowering the Government to deal drastically with certain squatter areas are regarded as the answer to the squatter problem."

Sir Henry said the report of the Federal Committee on this problem was complete and contained proposals for positive and constructive action.

Sheep And Goats

"In applying these regulations, the Government will do all it can to distinguish the sheep from the goats, but it is really for the sheep to distinguish themselves and to ensure by their own actions that they are not mistaken."

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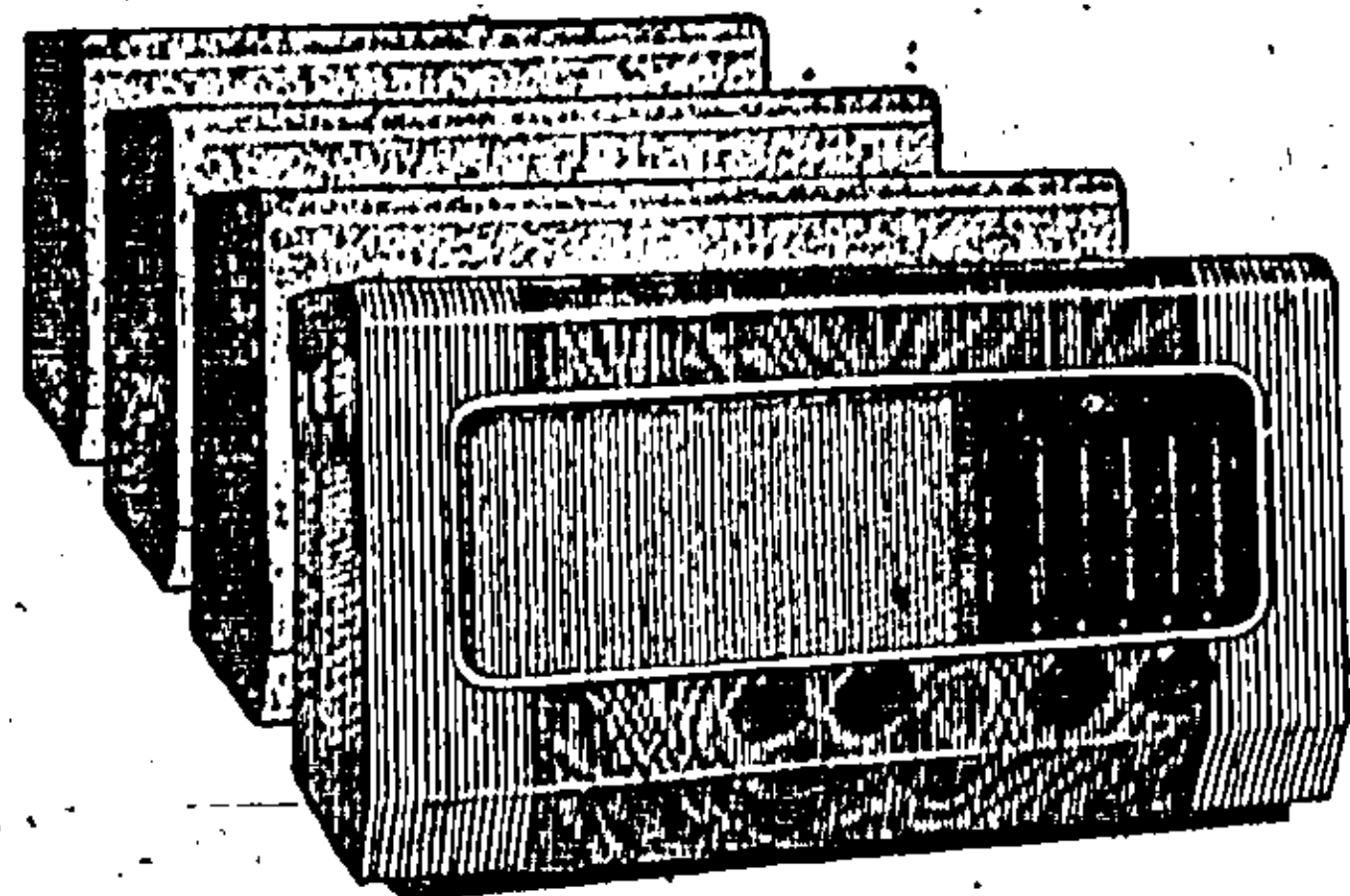
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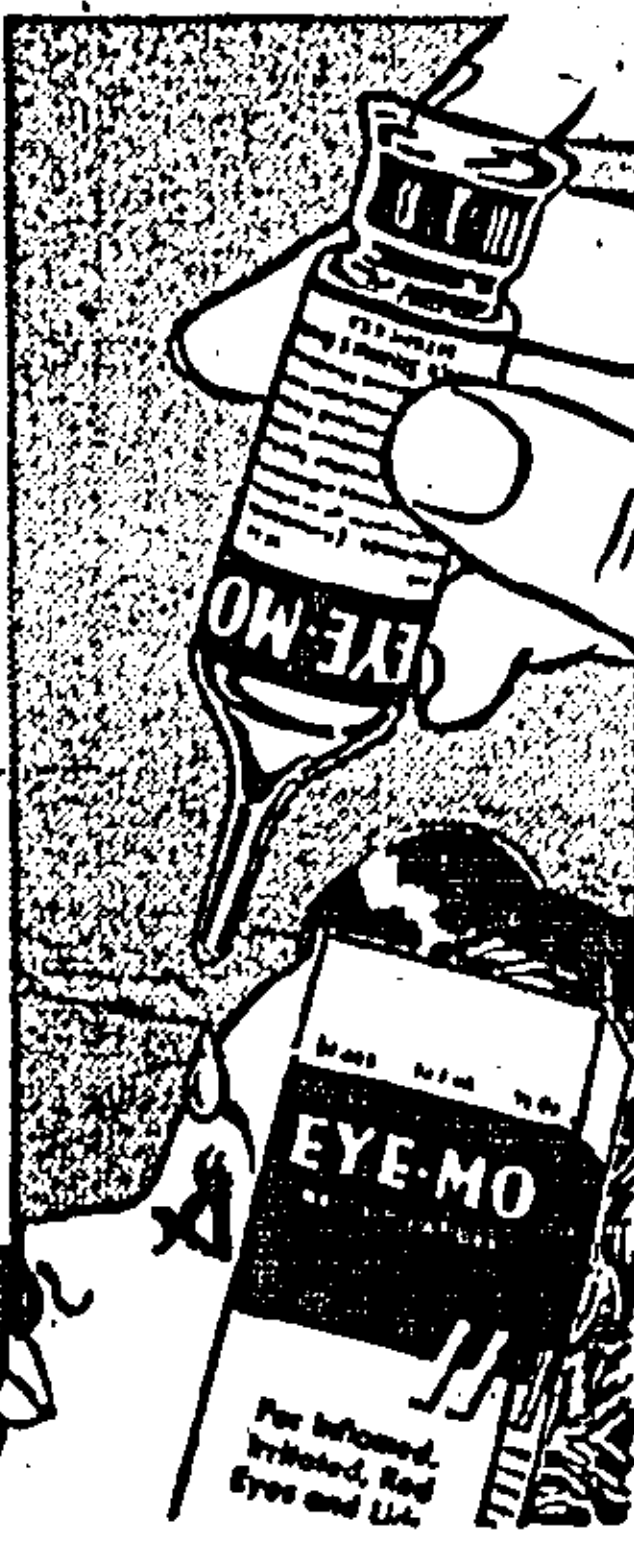
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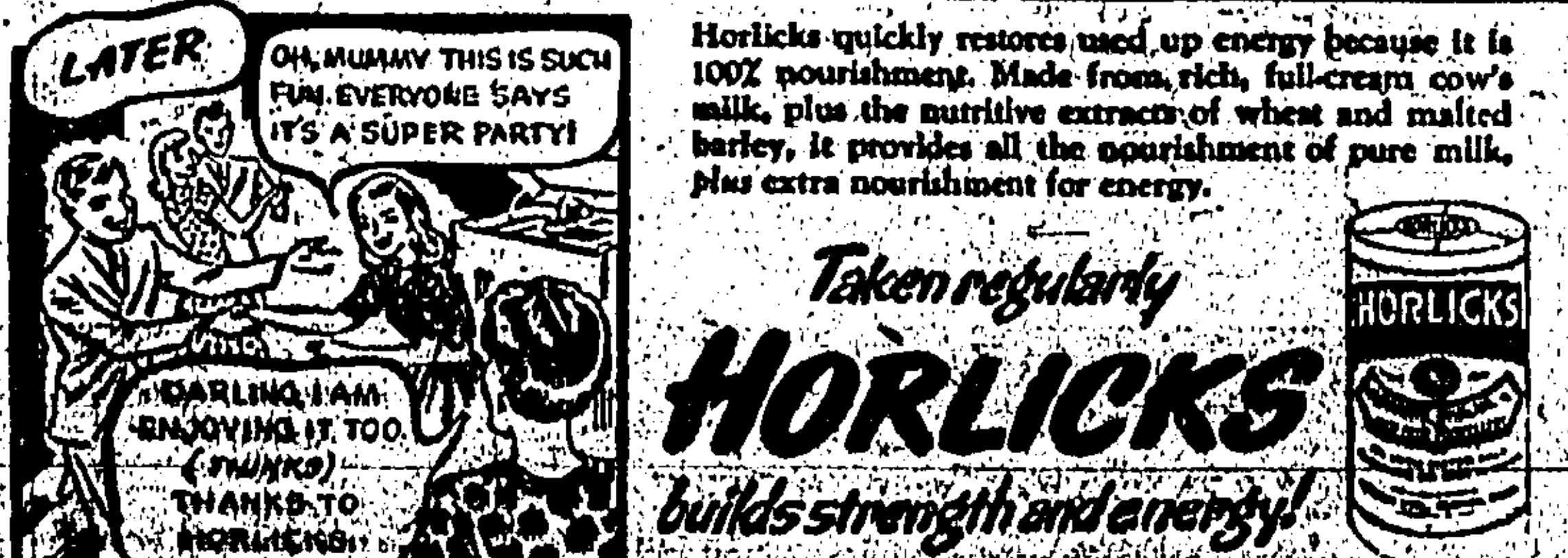
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North Atlantic Pact Caused By Fear Of Russia

Cabinet To Meet On Palestine

London, January 14. The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, is expected to tell a meeting of the Cabinet on Monday the lines of his awaited statement to Parliament on the Palestine crisis.

Parliament reassembles on Tuesday after the Christmas holiday.

An immediate Palestine statement is likely either in answer to a question from the Opposition leader, Mr. Winston Churchill, or general interpellation by the House of Commons.

In the light of the Government reply the Conservative Party will decide whether to press for an immediate Opposition debate.

By next week, Mr. Bevin may be in a position to give Parliament a more complete picture of the Middle East developments than Members have been able to gain so far from published reports.

If, however, the anxiety of the House of Commons were left unrelieved, a section of the Government's followers might support demands for an immediate discussion.

The 300 strong Parliamentary Labour Party is expected to meet on Wednesday, and the Government leaders may be questioned by critics of their Palestine policy.

The machinery for the Parliamentary Party meetings does not function out of session. The extent of demands for a full Palestine discussion will not be known until the House reassembles.

The House of Lords will discuss foreign affairs on Wednesday, and it is considered inevitable that Palestine will be discussed then.—Reuter.

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Washington, January 14. The State Department asserted today that the projected North Atlantic Pact was made necessary by Soviet obstruction in the United Nations.

The charge was made in a detailed report on post-war difficulties between Russia and the West, published as a background to the East negotiations, which are expected to become a major issue in the Senate.

It said: "The end result, if not the aim, of the Soviet programme has been to weaken the effectiveness of the United Nations and to shake the confidence of many people in it as an instrument of peace."

The resultant widespread fear and uncertainty have created a situation in which forward-looking governments have begun to seek additional means of preserving the peace in keeping with the principles of the United Nations charter.

"If world recovery is to progress, the sense of security must be restored. Since the threat of armed aggression is at the root of insecurity, collective action which will enable free nations to confront a potential aggressor with preponderant power, together with economic recovery and political stability, provides the only satisfactory antidote to fear."

"It seems clear that the United States must supply much of the military equipment which the countries working for recovery can not produce themselves."—Reuter.

Mr. Dean Acheson won the unanimous approval of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today as the new Secretary of State.

The Senate is expected to confirm this next week.

Mr. Acheson, who denied he was ever an "opponent" of Russia, got a clean bill after a secret session with the Committee this morning in which he discussed in detail his views on foreign affairs.

Members said before the vote that they expected to know where Mr. Acheson stood on continuing the "cold war" with Russia. They were sworn to secrecy.

The chairman of the Committee, Senator Tom Connally (Democrat, Texas), issued the following except from the testimony which he said Mr. Acheson gave before the Committee today:

"It is my view that Communism as a doctrine is economically fatal to a free society and to human rights and fundamental freedoms."

"Communism as an aggressive factor in world conquest is fatal to independent governments and free peoples."—Reuter.

Singapore, January 14. The Malayan Government's campaign against the Communist terrorists is now costing \$18,270,000 daily, Sir Henry Gurney, the High Commissioner for the Federation of Malaya, told a press conference at Kuala Lumpur today.—Reuter.

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Commonwealth Alliance?

Montreal, January 14. The Star today reported that a worldwide security alliance of British Commonwealth nations had been completed and was "expected to be announced with the next month."

A Star dispatch from Washington quoted an authoritative Commonwealth source as saying the announcement would be timed to place it before the world as an accomplished fact shortly prior to the fanfare certain to accompany completion of the Atlantic treaty.

It said the alliance was instituted at last autumn's conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers in London.

India Uncertain It reported participants would include South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Pakistan and Ceylon and possibly India, but India was uncertain because she was reportedly pressing for an East Asian alliance.

It was thought the Malayan Federation and Burma would be brought into the arrangement later.—United Press.

Mr. Fraser said that every one recognised that Israel had emerged as a nation, and it is only a question of time until all extend recognition.—Associated Press.

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MAKING "MEN OF STEEL" IN MODERN TURKEY

By Edward Howe

"My job is making pig iron," Mr. Albert Smith told me. Now at home in England a statement like this is not astonishing. But when you hear this spoken in broad North Country accents right in the heart of Asia Minor, then you sit up and take notice. I certainly did, and here is Mr. Smith's story.

"Blast furnaces are the same, whether they are in Timbuctoo or Turkey," he went on with a twinkle in his eye. However, Mr. Smith was obviously very proud of his brand new British built plant. It is also Turkey's pride and joy, for Karabuk Demir ve Celik Fabrikasi, or the Karabuk Iron and Steel Works when translated, is the only plant in the country. Mr. Smith, whose home is Ivydene, Staithes, Saltburn, is consultant and technical adviser to the Turkish Government, State owner of this nationalised plant.

Mr. Smith comes from a family of blast furnacemen and he has 40 years experience behind him. He went to Skinningrove Board School as a boy, and his son is now studying for his B.Sc. at Constantine College, Middlesbrough.

Very Happy

After many years of working abroad, (he was eight years in India), Mr. Smith came to Turkey four years ago. With him came his wife, the daughter of a noted Saltburn fisherman. She has settled down comfortably and does all her own shopping in Turkish. With a

smile, Mr. Smith said: "She sees to it, in true Yorkshire fashion, that she is not charged too much."

The Smith family is very happy in Turkey. They live in a modern flat perched on the hillside overlooking the works built in the Garden Estate where the steelworkers live. Only nine years ago Karabuk was never even mentioned on Turkish maps. It was nothing but a cluster of mud houses set in malarial swamps. Translated Karabuk means "The Dark Glen," so named because it is entirely surrounded by dark hills, snow covered most of the year round. It is two days journey from Istanbul, either by train through Ankara, the capital, or by steamer up the Black Sea to Zonguldak the nearest port, 60 miles away.

Karabuk is a housewife's paradise, says Mrs. Smith. "Queerless Karabuk," she calls it. Turkey is not like austerity England. There is plenty of food for nothing is rationed. Mrs. Smith goes to the local cooperative stores and buys what she likes, the only form of rationing being Mr. Smith's pocket. But life is cheap.

Red Letter Day

Red letter day in Karabuk for the Smith family is when the Middlesbrough Evening Gazette arrives, a week at a time. This is eagerly

awaited every week and every word is read. Then it is passed on to the families of five other Britons who are working here for the Turkish Government.

Once there were over 200 Britishers in Karabuk. They changed this Anatolian hamlet into the "Little Sheffield" of Turkey. The malarial swamp was transformed, as though on a magic carpet, into one of the most modern iron and steel works in the world. There is not a single Turk working on the plant (there are now nearly 5,000) who nine years ago had any experience of iron and steel work. They were all peasants who through generations had been used to plodding behind a hand plough drawn by an ox. Now they are working as though pig iron was in their blood.

This is the most remarkable achievement of Karabuk. As Mr. Smith told me with obviously pride. "The Turks are learning fast and they are keen on their job." He pointed out that they have no near neighbour to turn to for advice when things go wrong. Reminiscing, he touched on what is now called "The Big Trouble." This was when a leaking pipe held up the works. "The Turks saw then what water can do," he explained, "and no blast furnace in the world is watched as closely as ours for water leaks."

Mr. Smith has two blast furnaces under his charge. "Fatma," as number one is called, was blown in on 18 September 1939 by Fatma, then a young, shy, local peasant girl of 14. She performed the ceremony which was a landmark in Turkish industrial history. Now she is a mother of children. On

every birthday of Fatma the blast furnace she proudly brings her children to show them the plaque bearing her name in large letters fixed to the furnace.

British Club

Off duty the Smith family spend three evenings a week in the British Club together with their compatriots. This is a room that you could find anywhere in England. There is a large open fireplace, a large sized billiard table, and the inevitable dart board carefully brought all the way from England. The Britishers take turns in performing the duties of barman, serving Turkish beer gin or liqueurs, and sometimes Scotch whisky.

If the Smith Family want to be energetic or emulate the adventures of the Swiss Family Robinson they can go bear hunting on Sundays. Wisely they prefer to leave the bears alone. This wild, inaccessible part of Anatolia is full of hunting possibilities for those who like that sort of thing. Most of the dogs in the neighbourhood wear the spiked collar that protects them when fighting wolves. The Smith Family like walking round their garden estate and admire the really pretty gardens that surround the small, modern houses.

The Smith Family are helping, together with the four other British families, to carry on the British tradition of producing iron and steel. They are making men of steel in Turkey and laying the foundation for a new industrial generation. One decade has now almost passed and already they have changed the outlook of the man who wielded a plough. For the Karabuk peasant the plough has been replaced with the skip or the crane or the other paraphernalia of the modern iron and steel works.

NO WAR, NO PEACE

By Walter Lippmann

Since the American elections I have been on a tour of Western Europe and of Germany which took me from Madrid to Berlin and Frankfurt, from Rome to Bern and Geneva, and then to Paris and London.

The hardest, but the most important, question to answer is: What is going to happen if the present stalemate continues?

For it is the generally accepted view that there is no near prospect of a full-scale organised war. On the other hand, there is no prospect of a settlement.

Chronic Crisis

Our European policies are based on the idea that this condition of affairs can continue; that it is not necessary to fight nor necessary to negotiate; and that in this state of chronic crisis a Western European system can, in the course of years, be created with its frontiers on the Elbe river and with an outpost at the Potsdammer Platz, in the heart of Berlin.

But something quite different is, so it seems to me, likely to happen.

The issues arise out of the military partition of Germany, and therefore of Europe. Since the soldiers cannot settle the issues by a war, and the diplomats cannot settle them by the cold war, the Great Powers are rapidly losing control of them.

The international conflict over the destiny of Germany is becoming an internal German conflict which will certainly affect deeply, and may decide, the destiny of Europe.

This development is most evident, because it is most acute, in Berlin. I do not think anyone knows what would happen in Berlin if the Germans started rioting and fighting in the streets as their condition becomes more desperate.

as the Russian and the British-American propaganda machines permit, and even encourage, increasing incitements to hatred and violence.

A Civil War

The Germans in Berlin are well along on the road to a civil war, and the rest of Germany is already on the same road.

Here, I think, is the real danger to which we should address ourselves. That while organised war is not likely to be declared and waged, a German civil war could develop and we may all be sucked into it.

What reason is there for the statement that overt organised war is not now in prospect?

All I can say is that in all the countries I visit I talked with men who would have direct and high personal responsibility if war broke out.

They were unanimous in saying that there are no signs of the build-up of fuel, transport, and munitions which would be necessary if the Red Army were now preparing to invade Western Europe, and that they were confident that the Intelligence Services of the many nations concerned were good enough not to be deceived.

They added that there was some positive evidence to support the negative finding. That the Russians have not replaced the railway tracks, which are of great strategic value, that they tore up and carted off to the Soviet Union as war booty.

Quick Battle

No one, of course, doubts that the Russians have a mobilising force in Eastern Germany which is quite sufficient to crush the air-lift and to overrun the Ruhr.

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Talking about Films

The Secret Life Of Critic Mitty

By FRED MAJDALANY

(with acknowledgments to James Thurber, Danny Kaye, and Sam Goldwyn)

It had been a terrible year. It had been a terrible Christmas. It was a terrible party. Mitty the Critic followed his wife through the smoke and the noise into the street.

"I've been trying to get you away for an hour," Mrs. Mitty said. "You've had too much to drink again. You behaved disgustingly. You've still got that article to write."

Between her eyes was the deep furrow which meant that he would get hell all the way home. As they walked he was barely conscious of what she was saying except that all her sentences began or ended with "you fool." Ophelia whimpered pitifully. "Get thee to a nunnery, farewell," stormed Mitty the Dane, giving her a tremendous shove. A picture of flaxen-haired power, Mitty exalted in his maleness, his strength, his utter ruthlessness. That was how to treat women—rough them up and see them come back for more! "To a nunnery, go..." he spat at the cowering child, reflecting that after this piece of brutality there would be even more autograph books for Sir Laurence Mitty to sign....

"I told you not to have those whiskies earlier in the evening," said Mrs. Mitty. "You know what you're like when you mix anything with whisky." Mitty knew better than to interrupt.

The audience held its breath. Massine they had known, and Helpmann. One or two could remember Nijinsky. But surely there had never been anything like this. Mitty himself was oblivious to everything except the ecstasy of sheer poetic motion as he danced with this wonder girl who had said her name was Mollie Shearer. This was the perfection of being, thought Serge Mitty, as he made his last soaring leap....

"Look out, you idiot, are you trying to kill us?" shouted Mrs. Mitty. "It's bad enough having you lurching about without being dragged under a bus too."

"And another thing," said Mrs. Mitty. "you made a fool of yourself with Diana again. I wish you'd get it into your head that boyish fun doesn't suit you. It merely makes you look even more of a silly little man than usual."

At the studio they were discussing child actors.

"Of course," said the youth with a red beard. "Mitty's a genius. No question about it. Look what he did with John Howard Davies in 'Oliver Twist'."

At that moment the great director himself approached, and sat in a chair marked "Mitty." "How do you do it, old man?" asked the youth with a red beard.

"Look," yelled Mrs. Mitty. "a taxi, you fool. Don't just stand there, you idiot, grab it. Hurry, hurry. Bet you don't get it.... you idiot."

In the taxi Mitty's head nodded. It was a sunny morning, and Oscar Mitty strode through the ruins of Berlin with Marlene Dietrich on one arm and Jean Arthur on the other.

They thought he was wonderful because he liked "A Foreign Affair." Suddenly they were in Paris, and Myrna Loy was hailing them. "You remember?" "That's right," laughed Mitty, with a courtly bow. A few minutes later a voice called to him from a cafe table.

"Ah, Monsieur Mitty," cried the voice. "How nice to see you again." It was Micheline Presle.

"I saw your picture 'Le Diable au Corps' twice," lied Mitty without a moment's hesitation. "You were fine."

How splendid it was to be courted and desired by the loveliest women in the world—a critic's life was certainly the one....

"I hate you, I hate you, I hate you," Mrs. Mitty was saying.

"I hate riding in cabs with you, Mr. Mitty," Betty Grable whispered. "I think you've got James Stewart and the rest of them licked." She rested her head against his shoulder. Mitty sighed contentedly and slipped his arm round her waist....

"Just because you're drunk you've no need to start pawing me," snarled Mrs. Mitty, jerking him awake. "Pull yourself together, you idiot. We're nearly home." The taxi stopped, and Mrs. Mitty said he had better get that article written immediately.

Outside the tent the blizzard raged more fiercely.

Huddled in a corner Mitty grasped his last stub of pencil between aching, frost-bitten fingers and wrote in his diary:

The ten outstanding films of 1948 were:

British: HAMLET, OLIVER TWIST, THE FALLEN IDOL, SCOTT OF THE ANTARCTIC.

American: THE NAKED CITY, A FOREIGN AFFAIR, RED RIVER.

French: LE DIABLE AU CORPS, MONSIEUR VINCENT.

Italian: FOUR STEPS IN THE CLOUDS.

Best Actor: Laurence Olivier ("Hamlet").

Best Actress: Jane Wyman ("Johnny Belinda").

Mitty of the Antarctic had written his final diary note. Summoning the last reserves of his strength he crawled towards the tent flap to face what lay beyond. With a final desperate effort Captain Mitty thrust through the flap into the very teeth of the blizzard. As he did so a voice shouted above the screech of the gale: "For Heaven's sake come on up to bed."

Wine (An Informative Short Story)

"Can I get you anything to drink, sir?"

"Well—" began the Young Man, and before he could get any further found himself looking with dazed eyes at the wine list.

"Perhaps," said the Benevolent Waiter, with infinite tact, "you usually drink whisky, or brandies and sodas? In which case, allow me to assist you." And he whisked out of his pocket the following card:

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Our Serial Story

AND THE DEEP BLUE SEA

By Raymond Knotts

CHAPTER ONE

No matter what anyone tells you about Walkiki or Pago Pago, there's really no sweeter place to be than the Florida Keys when the moon shines. That's what Hale was thinking while radio singer Velma Martine talked.

"Are you a member here at the club, Mr. Hale?"

Hale shook his head. "I'm staying with Breckenridge Polk," she echoed.

"Breckenridge Polk," she echoed. "The airplane tycoon? How exciting!"

"His wife must have been beautiful," continued Velma. "Her daughter is so pretty. I saw her just a little while ago. Dancing with the handsomest big blond fellow."

"They moved across the verandah toward the door, but before they reached it, a tall straight man came out and met them."

"Velma, I've been looking for you everywhere," he spoke impatiently.

"Oh hello, Walter! This is Mr. Hale, the Chicago editor. Mr. Quillmire, Mr. Hale."

He noticed that Velma did not tell him who Quillmire was. She didn't need to because Quillmire was the most spectacular financier of the day. Ten years since his inconspicuous arrival in Wall Street had been anything but lush years there, yet he had reaped from them more riches than any man had done since the fabulous twenties.

As they left him, Hale had a feeling that he had known Walter Quillmire before. Probably, Hale decided, the thing that made this seem like a remembered face was that down-curved mouth. Now the orchestra began to play and presently the childish voice of Velma Martine began to flow along with the music.

Hale danced with a girl named Elinore, an angular, pleasant person with rusty hair, a friend of Judie Polk's whom he met at the Polk's at cocktailtime.

"We're all worried just sick about Judie," she said. "It's that Harold Detridge. She's absolutely ga-ga over him."

"Well, what's wrong with that?" Elinore made a little face. "There just isn't anything to him. He's handsome enough, Lord knows. It's just that we don't think it's Judie he's crazy about. She'll have all that money."

"Look," said Hale. "Let's have a drink and talk it over."

They made for the bar and Elinore looked around.

There's Orring," she said, nodding toward a table some distance from their own. "Getting pie-eyed earlier than usual." She glanced up at the clock over the bar. It was not quite midnight.

Orring Cayples was Congressman Cayples' son and Breckenridge Polk's nephew. He and his mother were guests, as was Hale, at Polk's Spanish mansion on the Miami Beach shore.

"What," Hale asked, "gives Orring Cayples such a hell of an inferiority complex anyway?"

Elinore grinned. "Suppose your mother had all the money, and you had to do exactly what she said or you couldn't have any. And suppose you married one busted aristocrat after another and they all took you for a sap and hiked out with a big bunch of mama's dough for a divorce settlement. And suppose on top of all that, your mother was a congresswoman. Wouldn't you feel inferior and maybe take it out in getting pussed?"

"I might at that," said Hale. "But getting back to Judie Polk. Suppose she does marry this Detridge. The rich girls have to marry somebody."

"Yes, but they don't have to marry fourflushers. The tales the man tells!

He knows how to extract gold out of sea water by a process that's cheap enough to make it pay. That's why he's down here now. All he needs now is to get some more capital interested. You get the idea?"

"What does he do for money?"

"Nothing. That's what annoys Mr. Polk. He's simply forbidden Judie to date the man any more. And of course Judie's just as stubborn as he is."

"It isn't only Harold Detridge," the girl said soberly. "Two men in an automobile chased Judie today—she was alone in her car coming home from Palm Beach. She got away but she thinks she just escaped being kidnapped."

"Listen!" Hale interrupted rudely. "Can Judie describe the men? Did she get a really good look at them? Come on, let's go find her!"

He seized Elinore's arm and all but dragged her out of her chair.

"There's Judie," Elinore said. "Dancing with Harold Detridge."

Hale and Elinore began to push through the crowd toward them. Just then Harold Detridge, looking at them over Judie's head, suddenly stopped dancing, turned his back abruptly and and walked away.

Judie, looking blank for a moment, recovered quickly. When they came up, she said negligently, "Harold had to get something out of his car."

Hale plunged immediately into the thing that was on his mind.

"Look, Judie, can you describe the men who chased you today?"

"Why, yes," said Judie reluctantly. "But they're gone now."

"They may come back! Hale exclaimed impatiently. "Judie, I want to know every detail, no matter how trivial."

"All right, Jim, if you really think it's that serious!"

A young man sauntered up and said: "Orring's about to pass out, Judie. I thought you ought to know." He seized Elinore and danced away with her.

"Oh," said Judie anxiously, "Aunt Susannah mustn't see Orring pass out. He's in terribly bad already. Please, Jim, will you keep her away from the bar till we can get Orring out?"

Hale had an uneasy feeling that Judie was seizing an opportunity to slip through his fingers. "All right," he yielded grudgingly. "But you meet me in the bar the minute you get that sap started on his way."

Hale found Mrs. Cayples talking brightly with a stout pompous man.

She said she would be glad to dance—since it wasn't a rumba. She was very short—not an inch over five feet—very wide and very deep from front to back. Her iron-gray hair had been carefully set but her eyes were gray and direct. They looked at nothing without estimating it with a view to its possible value to Susannah Polk Cayples.

After two dances, Hale thought: Orring Cayples must surely have been gotten out the place. The pompous Judge Somebody appeared. Mrs. Cayples danced away with him and Hale went in search of Judie.

Before he had gone far, Elinore joined him. "I can't find Judie!"

"Maybe," said Hale, "she went home with Orring."

"No, I saw Orring go. Pavich took him—Mr. Polk's chauffeur."

Just then they heard a high, shrill cry: "Help! Help!" And then a wordless scream that ended abruptly as if smothered under a hand.

"Oh, God!" said Elinore. "That was Judie!"

The scream seemed to come from outside the building but very near.

Men ran out into the grove, calling "Judie! Judie!" It was too dark to see much.

Hale followed them and stumbled on something. "Bring a flash-light!" he

shouted. Someone ran forward with a torch. In the full light they saw that it was an evening slipper.

Elinore's breath went out in a choking "Oh! It's Judie's!"

Beyond the slipper was a small square bottle. Hale picked it up with his handkerchief and sniffed the odor of chloroform.

Hale hurried into the club and telephoned the sheriff of Dade County and the Miami chief of police. They might intercept the kidnapers before they could drive the forty miles into Miami.

He next telephoned the story to his newspaper in Chicago.

Twenty minutes later the police and sheriff's force had blockaded the one highway that ran up the Keys to Miami.

A speeding car approached two policemen guarding the first bridge which hooked the broken links of the Keys. The car skidded to a stop.

Eying the gun held by the tall cop, the man quickly lifted his hands from the wheel. "What the hell!" he said.

The short policeman ran around and opened the rear door.

"Hey!" he yelled. "There's somebody in here wrapped up in a blanket."

Just then Sergeant Halloran, who had been blocking the road further up, appeared. "Why that's Orring Cayples. Mr. Polk's nephew."

"Of course it is," said the chauffeur impatiently. "And I'm Jake Pavich, Polk's chauffeur."

Halloran glanced at him. "Yeh, Okay. You're taking the guy home to put him to bed, huh? What time did you leave the Coral Strand Club?"

"Twelve-ten," Pavich looked at his wrist watch and added apologetically, "Fifty-five minutes getting up here. But he got sick and I had to stop and haul him out of the car for a while."

"Twelve-ten," the sergeant repeated. "It was twelve-thirty when they called us from the club. Where was Miss Polk the last you saw her?"

"Miss Polk? She was out in the parking lot at the club. A couple young fellows helped me carry Cayples down stairs, and she was bossing the job. Say, what's all this about. I got to go clear up to Miami Beach and put this guy to bed and then get back to the club after Miss Polk."

Sergeant Halloran studied Pavich's hard face. Did the man actually know nothing about what had happened at the club? Fifty-five minutes to drive a little over forty miles. It could easily be driven in forty minutes. But Pavich said Orring had been sick and he had stopped the car.

"Listen, Pavich," he said, "Where were you when Miss Polk screamed?"

"Screamed?" the chauffeur looked blank. "Say, what's happened?"

Still watching his face, the sergeant answered: "Plenty. Miss Polk's been kidnapped."

Pavich's reaction was instant and violent. "Kidnaped! Why, God damn those guys!" He leaped into the car and threw it in gear.

The police rushed him, dragged him bodily out, and pinned him to the ground.

"Cops!" the prostrate man garted. "Leave me go, you gutless in-stars! Give me back my gun! By God, I'll do something!"

His voice became pleading. "Listen, I'm Miss Polk's bodyguard! That's what I'm hired for most of all. I got to go find her! Oh, God, what ever made me let her talk me into coming away from her! God damn Orring Cayples!"

Elther, thought Halloran, Pavich was genuinely concerned or it was a wonderful act. Anyway, there was no point in keeping him here any longer. Let him take his drunken cargo and be on his way to Miami Beach.

As Pavich opened the car door, an envelope fluttered out into the wind. Halloran caught it. It was addressed, in typed letters much larger than those on an ordinary typewriter:

BRECKENRIDGE POLK
EXTREMELY URGENT

"What's this?" demanded the Sergeant.

Pavich shook his head. "I never seen it before. I got a suspicion it's a ransom note. What I'm wondering is how the hell it happened to be in that car."

"Why, yes," said Sergeant Halloran. "That is a mystery—unless you happened to put it in there yourself!"

"We don't seem to be finding out anything," said the police chief. Hale, facing him across the desk in the manager's office at the Coral Strand Club, could only agree.

The guests and club employees had



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been in, and the caretaker and his wife. Many had heard the scream.

None of them had seen any strangers.

"Where's the manager?" Hale asked.

"He went up to Miami today. He's comin' back to help close up for the season," the caretaker explained.

"We're boardin' up the place tomorrow. Mr. McJannet and Mr. Cayples, probly—he's on the house committee—they'll check up after we get through."

"Orring Cayples?" Hale was surprised. "He doesn't seem the committee type."

The caretaker smiled. "Oh, well, committees—They don't really have nothing much to do around here. Just look wise."

The headbartender had a little to add to what they already knew. He had heard Judie talking to Orring Cayples and say "Oh, God, Orring, I'm scared!"

"So she really was scared," said Hale. "Then why in hell did she keep quiet about it?"

The door banged open and Breckenridge Polk rushed in, short, thick and roaring with rage. At his heels came tall Sergeant Halloran, barking brittle reprimands.

"What the hell kind of police force is this?" Polk shouted. "My daughter gets kidnapped, and what do these morons do? They throw my chauffeur in jail. My daughter's bodyguard—the last man in the world that would have anything to do with it!"

"He had a ransom note from the kidnapers," retorted Sergeant Halloran.

"Anyone could have tossed it into the car!" Polk yelled.

"Listen, Brock," said Hale. "The police think they're doing the right thing in holding Pavich, but of course you're right about the ransom note. Anybody could have slipped it into the car."

He turned to the chief of police. "Let Pavich out, chief. Mr. Polk will see that he sticks around in case you want to question him again."

"Well, if you and Mr. Polk trust Pavich, so much—" The chief was glad of a chance to get off an extremely hot spot.

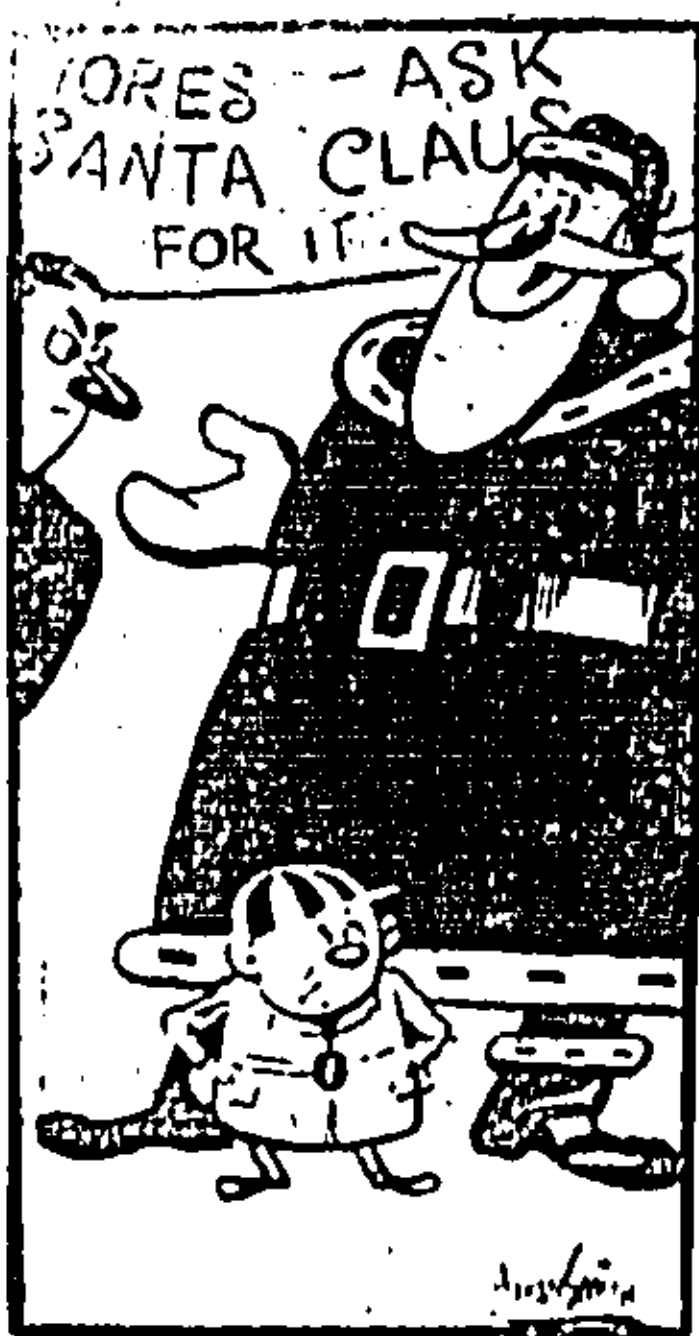
"Of course I trust him!" Polk snapped. "I trust him absolutely."

"Now, Brock," said Hale, "let's see that ransom note."

The letter was on four sheets of plain white cheap paper. The typewriting was unusual. The letters were large, and very heavy.

TO BE CONTINUED

PIGMY CARTOON



"He wants a permit to build his own railway!"

Heartburn?



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APPROACH TO MUSIC

"OLD Customs die hard" says the ancient tag, and it seems to be just as true of ideas and certain well-ingrained prejudices. One such as these is the idea that an approach to music is difficult, a matter of going "high-brow" and treading the Bohemian foot-path of eccentricity. Quite why this idea should exist in the mind of a person who is uninterested in music is hard to say. Surely nothing could be further from the truth.

Music, of course, is an art and possibly in the word "art" lies something of the solution to this peculiar prejudice. The arts are still taken to be synonymous in people's minds, with the traditional long-haired poet of black velvet jacket and flowing tie. That may or may not be true impression generally, but as applied to music, I feel the illusion is finally shattered.

AN approach to music is a matter of entirely individual choice as to manner. Indeed it may even be an unconscious approach. A fragment of tune heard on the radio—a desire to know something more about it—and the embryo is surely launched into that most fascinating of voyages—a voyage of exploration on the sea of music. To be sure, it is not an uncharted sea, since music has been with us since the world began, in some form or other. Although the musical emigrant at first follows through well-worn channels, later on he will undoubtedly forsake these for the adventurous and uncharted ways of his own likes and dislikes.

OFTEN the objection is made that to enjoy music, it is essential to know a lot about it, and that therefore an unconscious approach, as I have suggested, is not possible. I do not agree with this view. As an example, to illustrate my point, let us suppose that it were possible for say, Mozart's "Jupiter" Symphony to be played without any acknowledgment of its authorship. Also suppose that the audience had never heard the music before and that the whole performance was produced without any indication of its nature at all. Under such ideal—although admittedly hypothetical—conditions—each one of the audience would start off on common ground with his neighbours. We must allow an exception to this statement, in that some of the audience may have varying degrees of technical knowledge of the theory of music. I don't think that matters, however. Your novice can sit back in his chair and close his eyes, listening the while to the joyous strains of Mozartian melodies. He may of course, find it more to his liking to watch the fascinating movements of the fiddles, or to concentrate on the movements of the conductor as he welds together the various orchestral sections.

NOW, under these conditions, what is likely to be the reaction of the embryo music-lover? He either likes or dislikes the music—that much is self-obvious. But the prejudice against it because it is Mozart is removed. Mozart implies the classics and the classics imply a need to be high-brow. So the vicious circle goes on and on and on, until prejudice stifles any chance the novice may be prepared to afford in an unbiased hearing of music.

General Knowledge Answers

1. A sprouting.
2. The time-lag between the magnetic force itself and its effects.
3. About 1,000 B.C.
4. Hysteron-proteron.
5. An apartment composed of rhubarb and magnesia.
6. Fair Maids of February.
7. A species of plover.
8. A curve produced by reflection.
9. Balistraria.

Contributed By
"MUSSETTA"

This novice needs no technical knowledge to enjoy this music. If the latent germ of love of music is within, the sounds of the music must surely capture his imagination by reason of their primary appeal as a music-pattern. The germ awakens to life and the novice is actuated by a desire to know something more about this subject. He reads and delves into the subject and next time he goes to a Concert, he boldly goes because he wants to hear the "Jupiter Symphony." The prejudice has been conquered, and he goes with an open mind to confirm the pleasure he experienced when first hearing the music, as then unknown to him.

BUT this time, there is a difference. He has acquired some technical knowledge and he can appreciate how Mozart (or Haydn, Beethoven or who you will) plays off melody against melody, inter-weaving strings, woodwind and brass into a mass of sound he now knows is called a symphony. His enjoyment is enhanced by this ability to appreciate how the pattern of sound is composed. A fuller understanding of the composer's ideas is his, and, collateral to this, the listener is not content with this new-found pleasure. He feels the need to experiment further, to go further afield in this pleasurable new vista of enjoyment he has opened up for himself.

With this stage reached, the door is opened for him to the vast treasure house of the world's music. As he gains experience, he can distinguish good from bad, although instinctively he may be able to do this without acquiring much technical knowledge.

THUS can the approach to music be made. Each must find for himself the best way, for there can be no common rules or rule-of-thumb procedure laid down. That efforts made in this connection are amply repaid by pleasure later to be derived goes without saying. Thus standing on the threshold of a new world, it is for the would-be amateur to pursue his own path, limited only by the bounds of his own enthusiasm.

And now to the week's programmes.

SUNDAY

THE Sunday Symphony Concert is timed to commence at 9.05 p.m. with Part II at 10.10, after Radio News-Recel. The programme is:—
Overture to "Marriage of Figaro"—Mozart.

Piano Concerto No. 5 in G—Beethoven.

"The Lark Ascending"—Vaughan-Williams.

Intermezzo from "Fennimore & Gerda"—Debussy.

Sonata for Violin & Piano in A Major—Cesar Franck.

"St Paul's" Suite—Gustave Holst.

Of the Mozart overture, there is little to be said that is new. It is a typical example of Mozart at his brilliant best, light-hearted gay and portentous of the rollicking opera to follow. It must be one of the shortest overtures ever composed, since it is conveniently recorded on one side of a 12" disc. That does not detract from its charm, however, as listeners will be able to hear for themselves.

THE Beethoven Concerto is played tonight by Artur Schnabel, an artist whose name is synonymous with that of Beethoven by reason of his masterly interpretations of the composer's music. There can be no doubt that this recording will present the No. 4 Concerto under ideal conditions, the

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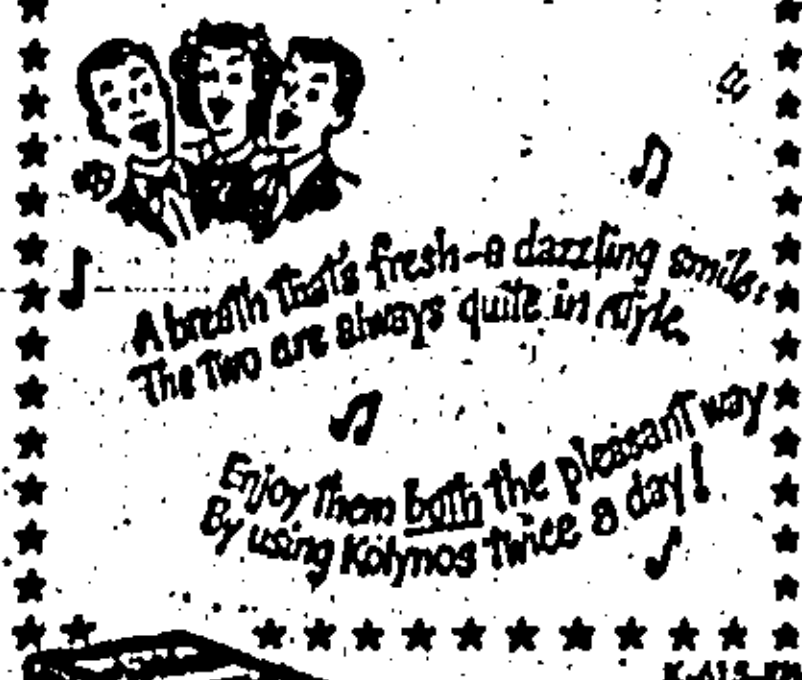
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solo instrument being particularly well-emphasised against the orchestral background. This point is well-illustrated in the first movement, where, instead of the usual introduction by the orchestra to the soloist's entrance, we find the soloist taking up his position right away. The whole mood of this movement is one of pleasing happy music.

The second movement constitutes something of a dialogue between piano and orchestra, with a tendency for the orchestra to assume and elaborate the soloist's theme. Schumann declared it to represent the fight waged by Orpheus against the powers of Darkness, but with a redeeming tenderness which makes this movement one of the greatest movements in music I know.

The last movement affords an opportunity for a cadenza which is, by Beethoven's own curt order, "Let it be short"—adjusted to preserve a due sense of proportion.

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Children's Herald

AT MY TYPEWRITER...



There are two things I would like to speak to you about today. The first is that when you boys and girls send in a drawing or an article, please do have patience, for it cannot be printed right away. If the article is good it will be used sooner or later, so please wait a little!

If there should be something special you wish printed in the "Children's Herald," do send it in a fortnight ahead, and then you won't be disappointed.

Another thing is that a number of you have asked me to tell you why some of your friends are popular while you yourselves are not so popular.

Well, I'll try to give you a little advice.

You all know that almost everyone likes to describe his or her own interests to other people? Be interested in the same things as your friends, and let them talk to you, and you'll soon discover that they will become interested in you and your ideas.

Find out who your school heroes are, and why. Brush up on your current events also.

If you'll do all these things, you'll be popular too. That's a promise!

Happy days to you all, from

Auntie Vee.

Time For Snow

Now the birds
Have flown away,
Skies are cloudy
Cold and gray.

All the trees
Are stripped and bare,
Not a leaf
Is hanging there.

Squirrels are hiding
Nuts away,
Until some frosty
Winter day.

Winter winds
Begin to blow.
Soon it will
Be time for snow.

MARIAN KENNEDY

Merry Moments

Master (to new boy): What is your name?

Boy: Sammy Bodger.

Master: Ah! when speaking to a master, you must always add "sir."

Now, I'll ask you again—what is your name?

Boy: Sir Sammy Bodger.

Horace: There's your friend Simpkins. I am afraid he's going to get soaked to the skin. Why don't you ask him under your umbrella?

Ell: I'm afraid he would recognise it.

Who Am I?

My first is in butter but not in utter,

My second is in brush and also in rush.

My third is in table and also in able,

My fourth is in bat but not in pat,

My fifth is in lad but not in bad,

My sixth is in nose and also in rose,

My whole is something made by soap at washing.

Answer: Honour certificate to Jessie Child of 45 Chungking Arcade, Kowloon.

CIRCLES COMPETITION

Many of you must have enjoyed last week's competition, otherwise you would not have written in for more of the same kind.

Well, we are going to have another, but instead of using triangles to form figure (s) or picture (s) we are going to use circles.

For those who missed last week's paper, I'll explain again what you are supposed to do. Using circles, try and form a figure, picture, animal or scenery. You can draw anything you like, but only circles can be used.

I received many entries for the Triangle competition and am looking forward to receiving an even larger pile of entries for the Circles competition.

When you have finished, send it to me addressed: Auntie Vee, Children's Herald, Windsor House.

Please don't forget to return the enclosed slip with your entry and also to mark on the left hand corner of your envelope "Competition."

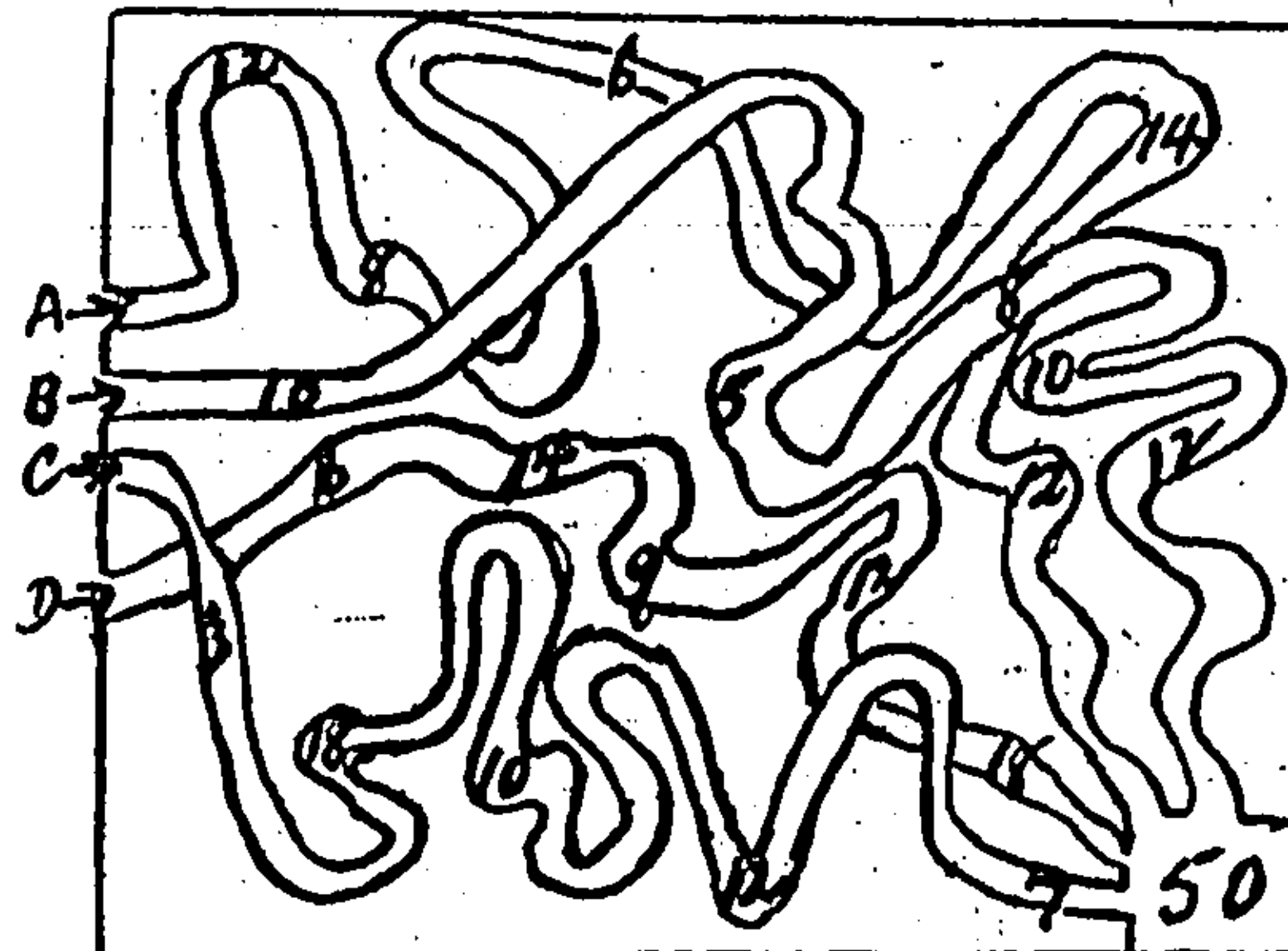
First prize will be \$10, second prize \$7, and the third prize \$5. There will be three certificates as consolation prizes.

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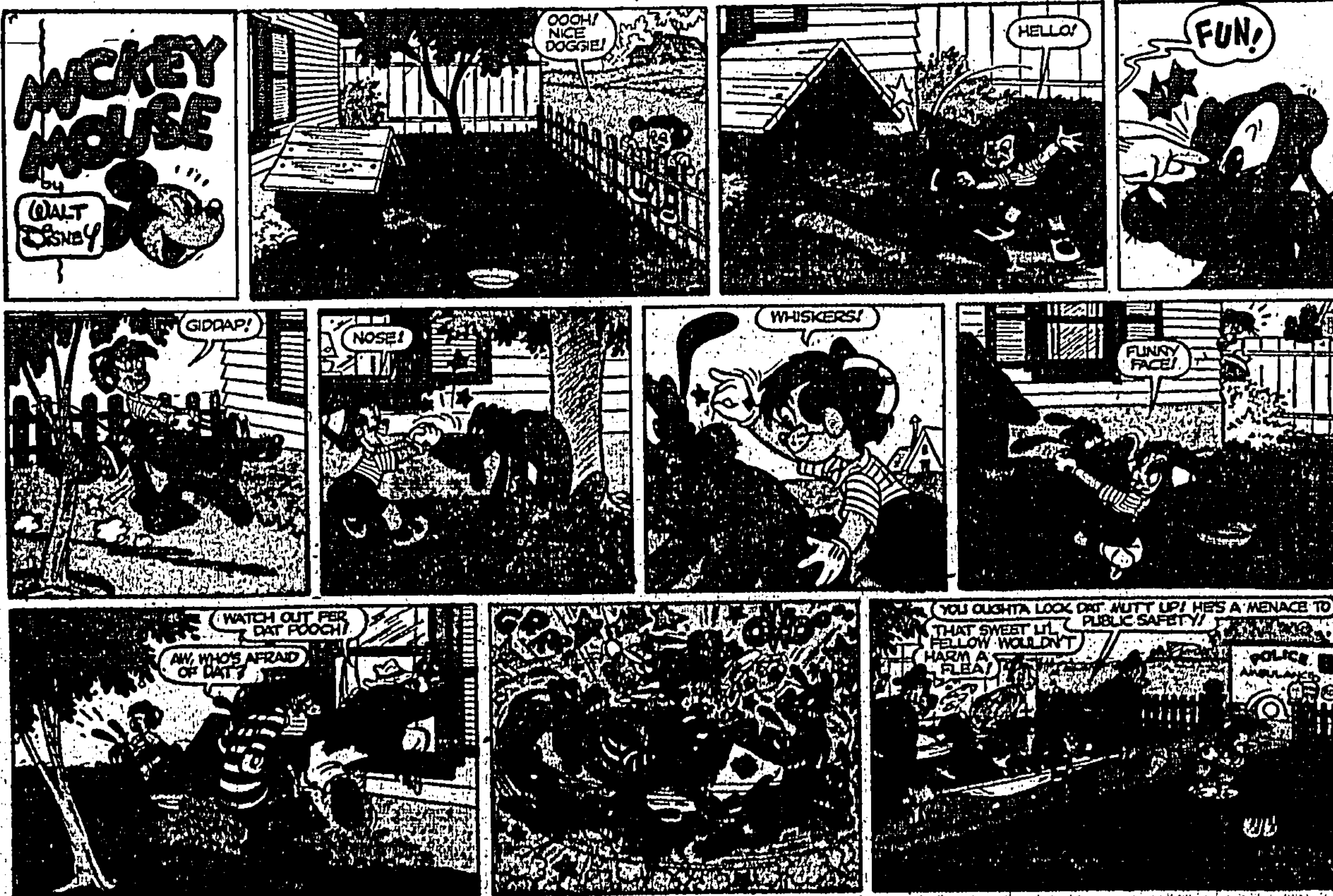
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FIND THE CORRECT LANE



Using a pencil, see if you can find the correct lane to 50!! You add each number down the lane—if it totals 50—you win! Go to it; the Professor is waiting!



In The Mailbag

"BILLINGHURST," you are now a member of the H.C.C. Will you please let me know your full name, hobbies, birthday, age and address? Thank you.

LOLITA M. GUTIERREZ, you asked me what I thought about your story. Well, it's very good and you are going to see it in the "Children's Herald" before long.

JUSTIN BROWN, will you please let me have your correct address, as there is a money prize for you, which you won for the Crossword Competition.

ZEZITO MELLO of Macao, if you wish to become a H.C.C. Member, just complete the H.C.C. Member form and I will send you one of our beautiful certificates.

H.C.C. Members

NAME: Shirley Lam.
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HOBBIES: Reading and drawing.

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ADDRESS: 17, Thomson Road.
AGE: 12.
HOBBIES: Drawing.

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AGE: 10.
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HOBBIES: Drawing, writing letters, reading and painting.

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AGE: 10.
HOBBIES: Stamp collecting and foot-ball.

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NAME: Alex Mamak.
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AGE: Nine.
HOBBIES: Stamps and drawing.

NAME: Julia Morgan.
ADDRESS: 150, The Peak, Hong Kong.
AGE: 12.
HOBBIES: Sewing, music, dancing and swimming.

RUSTY RILEY

By Frank Godwin





I AM A PEAR

I am a pear, and my skin is greenish yellow with freckles all over my body. Before I became a pear, I was a flower with honey inside me. The butterflies always came to play with me, the bees came and ate my honey. After some time I was changed into a pear. At first I was really very small, smaller than a little marble. The sun shone on me each day, and I grew up very rapidly. I had thousands of friends living happily together in the same orchard. One day there came a crowd of people. Each of them carrying basket, and very carefully they began to pick us from the trees. I watched my friends being taken away from the trees. Now one of the fruit-pickers tried to pick me but I was too far up, so he shook the branch until I fell down. He put me into his basket and then into his car. I was then shipped to Hong Kong and sold to a shop. A little boy happened to see me when he was out with his father, so they bought me. He liked me very much and would not eat me. Next morning he took me to school. Boys looked at me and said I was pretty. But alas! I am getting old so the little boy ate me, he said it was delicious but that's the end of poor little me. Honour certificate to Gordon Cheung, 24 Yick Yam Street, 1st fl., Happy Valley.

Birthday Greetings

On January 18 CHARLIE PATRICK OLSSON of 8 Village Rd. Happy Valley will be 13 years old.
On January 21 JACK LIU of 106 Gloucester Rd., 2nd fl., Hong Kong will be 14 years old.
A very Happy Birthday to the both of you.

John And Peter

John and Peter were twins. They lived by the sea. One day they decided to go exploring, so they went along the sea shore until they came to an island. John said, "Let us go there." They went and found a boat and sailed to the island. When they got there found a big cave. They went in and when they got half way through the cave they found silks, gold, and diamonds. At this they thought it must be a store house. But they soon realised it was a smugglers' hide-out, because they found guns lying around. At once they hid behind a barrel of gunpowder waiting for the smugglers to return. When they did return Peter started coughing. And one of the smugglers said, "Someone is spying on us." and they tied Peter and John up and wrote home to their parents saying, "We have your sons" and you must send us \$300. Leave it by the tree near the island at three o'clock tomorrow." They made Peter and John clean up the cave for them. At three o'clock the next day the smugglers got the money and let the twins go home. When the twins got home they went straight to the police and told where the smugglers' hide-out was and the smugglers were caught. The twins got a lot of money as a reward, which they gave to the poor. Honour certificate to Peter J. Harris aged 9 of 15 Peak Road, Hong Kong.

Take One Mouthful

One for you.
One for me.
One for the little busy bee.
One for the boy that lives next door.
And one for mummy and then no more.
Honour certificate to Irene Anderson, aged nine, of 802 Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

AN ESKIMO



Honour certificate to Mona Lim of 15 Cameron Road, Ground floor, Kowloon.

What is the difference between the earth and the sea?
Answer: out pua Aup \$1.00
What key is the hardest to turn?
Answer: Aexuop v Kong.

RIDDLES

When do you breakfast before you get up?
Answer: When you have a red hot iron in bed.
What has four legs and flies?
Answer: A spider on a wall.
Can February March?
Answer: No, but April May.
What does an artist like to draw best?
Answer: His salary.
What is it we all often say we will do, and nobody has ever done yet?
Answer: Stop a minute.
Why is picking a pocket like painting?
Answer: It is a work of art.
Why is there never such a thing as one whole day?
Answer: Because every day has a beginning and an end.
Why is an alligator a most deceitful animal?
Answer: He takes you in with his tail.
What is the difference between a very wet day and a lion distracted with toothache?
Answer: The lion is running with his tail up and the lion is running with his tail down.
What is the difference between a cat and a document?
Answer: The cat has claws at the end of its paws, the other has claws at the end of its fingers.
Why are many stone-deaf people like Dutch cheeses?
Answer: Because they cannot hear.
What are the three degrees of comparison for a sharp lawyer?
Answer: First he gets on, then he gets in, then he gets out.
Can you change a girl into a woman by adding three letters?
Answer: YES.
What is it that a blind man cannot feel but can see?
Answer: A joke.
Why is a novelist a queer creature?
Answer: Because he tells his tale to the world.
What relation is a child to its father who is not its father's own son?
Answer: His stepson.
What animals grow on vines?
Answer: Soda (A) and

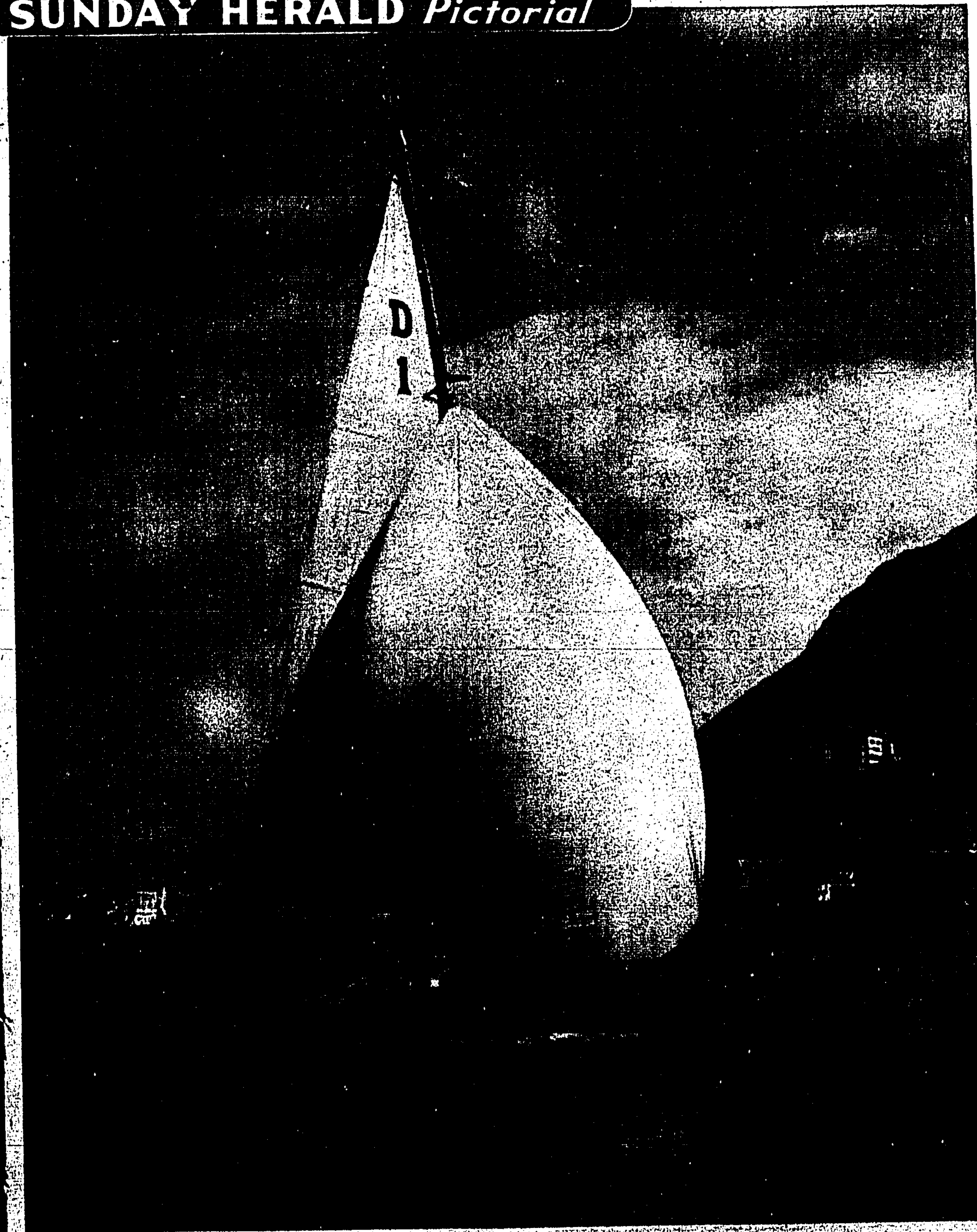
Winners

First prize of \$10 goes to Cora-lla Gilbert of 214 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon; second prize of \$7 goes to Molly Williams of Room 610, Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon; and third prize of \$5 goes to Law Ping Shue of 27, Caroline Hill Road, 1st fl., Hong Kong. Honour certificates of five points have been awarded to Jane Carolyn Pullen of 179, The Peak; Isabella Palmer of 62, MacDonnell Road, Flat 7, Hong Kong; and Wilma Watson of Leighton Hill, Flat 24, Hong Kong.

Merry Moments

Extravagance. A Chinese man was driving his garbage cart along the street in Australia when a lady who had been leaning out of an upstairs window overbalanced and fell right into the garbage cart. The Chinese turned around and said: "These Australians, plenty wasteful. This lady good for long time yet."

SUNDAY HERALD Pictorial



A magnificent study of the Dragon Class yacht Kertary, owned by Mr. F. Stanley Cook, racecourse-moder, Royal Hong Yacht Club. She was built this year at the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock. The photo was taken by Captain Barry of BOAC.



The Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, at the St. George's Ball at the Peninsula Hotel. ("China Mail" photo)



The emblem of St. George and the Dragon at the St. George's Ball. ("China Mail" photo)



At the St. George's Ball, left to right: Mrs. Finney, Miss Hewson, Mrs. Grimsdale, Lieutenant Colonel Finney, Mrs. Craig, Mrs. Warne. ("China Mail" photo)



Surrounded by heraldic emblems, guests at the St. George's Ball, including the Governor, dine at the horseshoe table. ("China Mail" photo)

At the St. George's Ball, left to right: Mr. J. Dick, Mr. A. Dodd, Mrs. J. Dick, Mrs. A. Dodd, Mrs. C. E. Nixon, Mrs. J. E. Nicklen, Mr. J. B. Dewhurst, Mr. J. E. Nicklen. ("China Mail" photo)



St. George's Ball guests, left to right: Mr. C. L. Salter, Mr. A. W. Salter, Mrs. A. Roscoe, Mr. J. W. M. Brown, Mrs. C. L. Salter, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. A. W. Salter, Mr. J. Roscoe. ("China Mail" photo)



Seeing for himself, the Governor tours the Scout camps at Chaiwan. ("China Mail" photo)

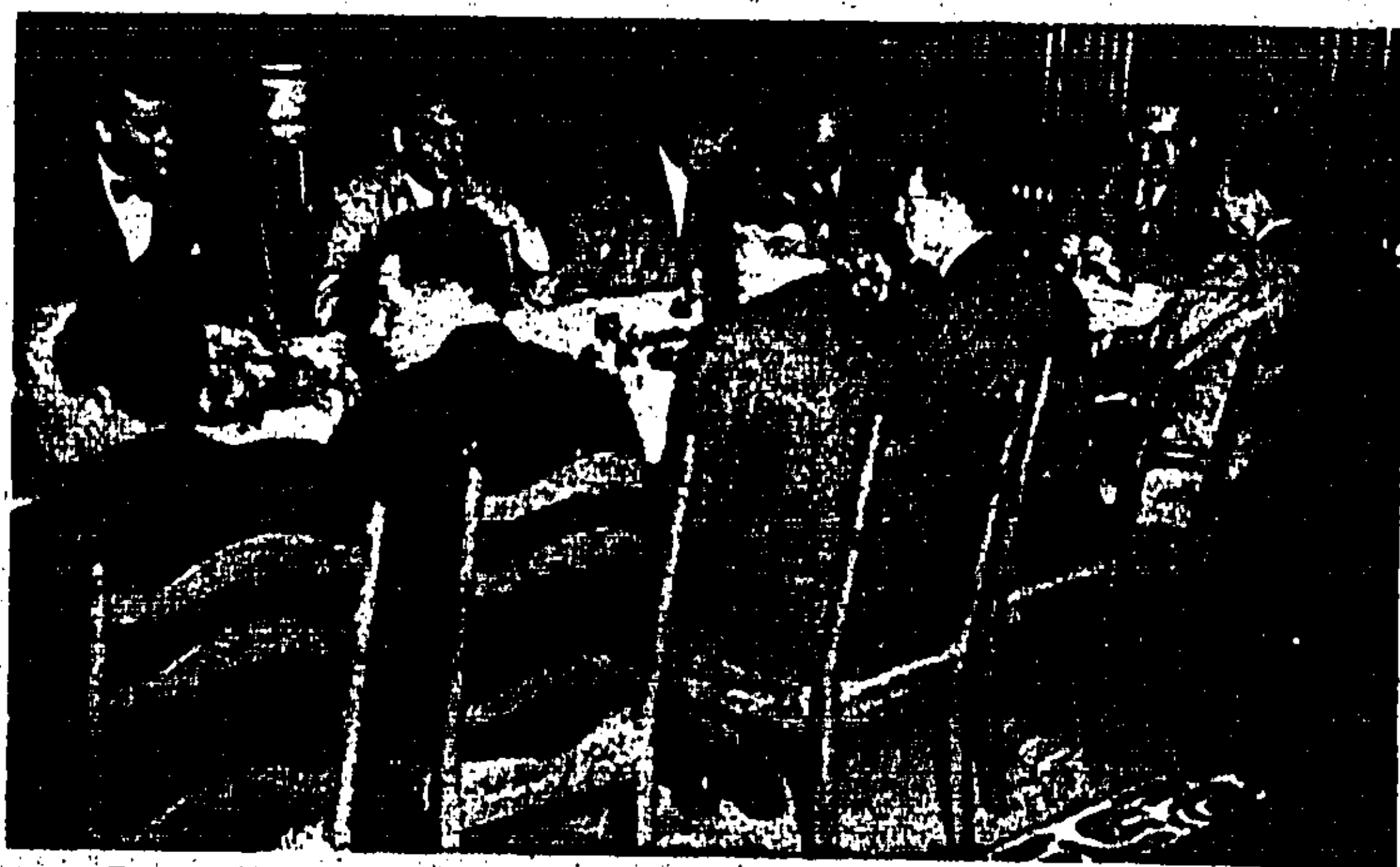


Colonel Sir James John Ambulance, B. Hall outside St. John's Hall.

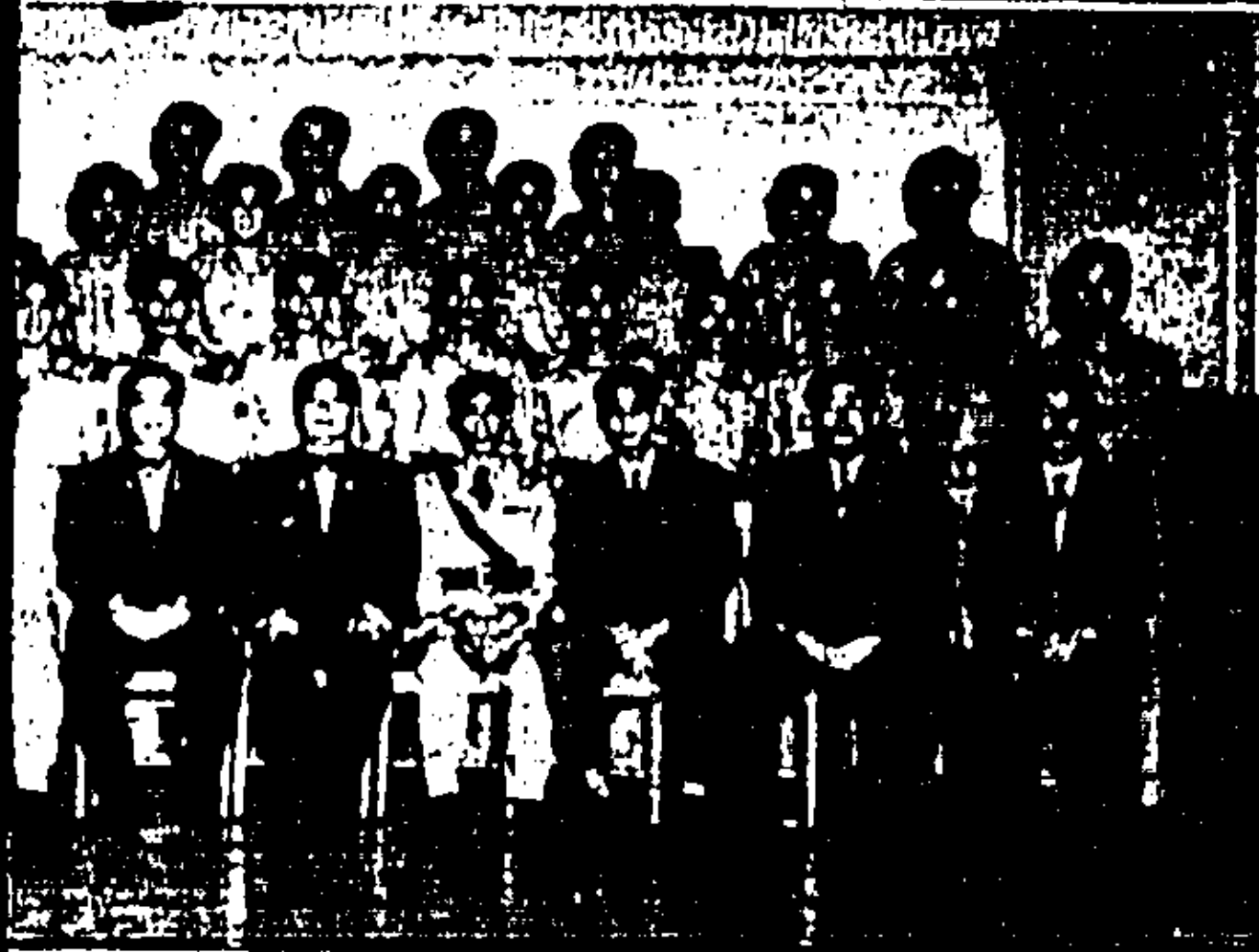




Sleeman, Commissioner of St. John's Ambulance, chats with Bishop of the Cathedral. ("China Mail" photo)



Guests at a luncheon given by Mr. H. Ayres, manager of the United States Lines, at the Hong Kong Hotel. ("China Mail" photo)

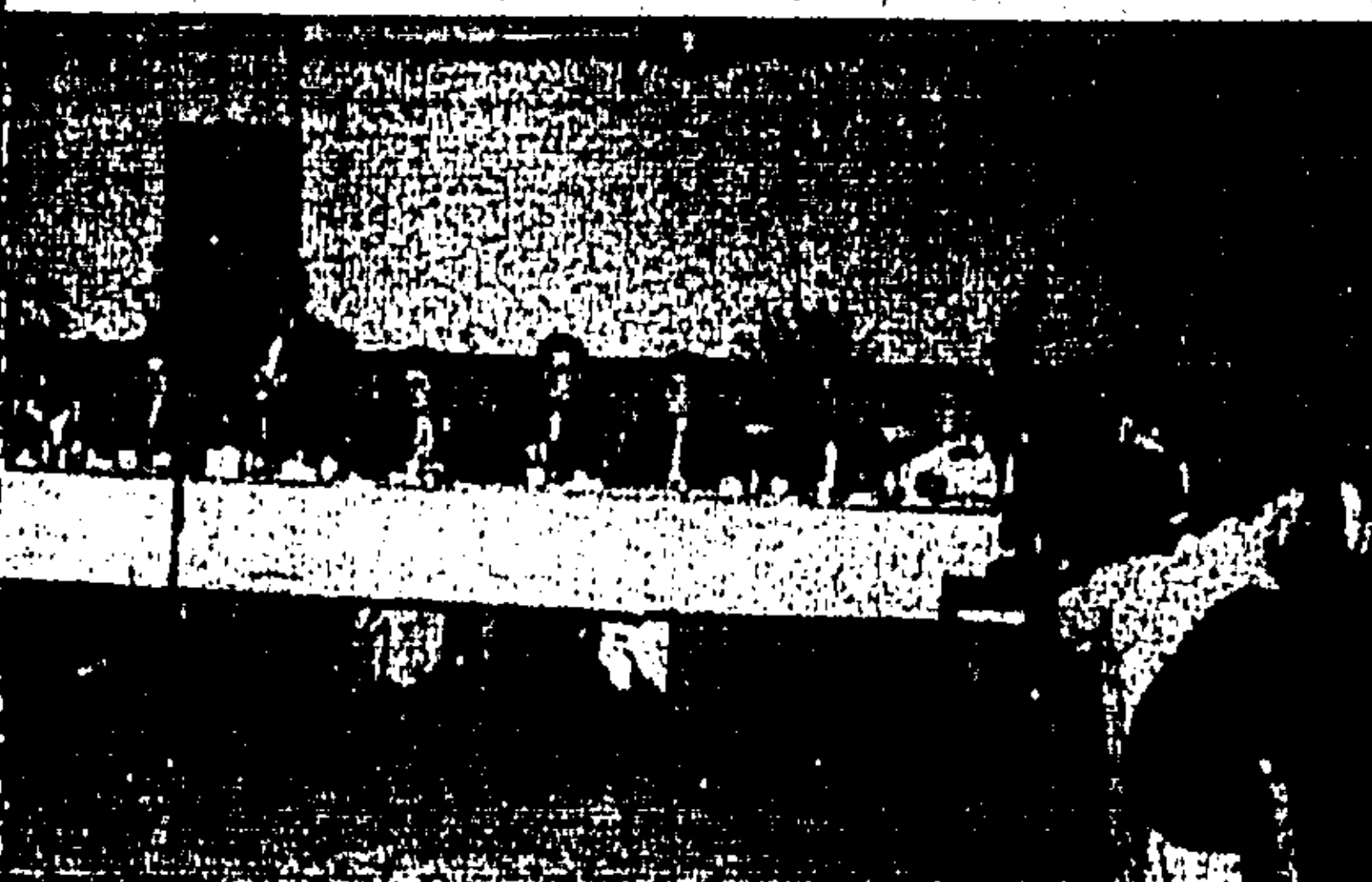


Members of the Shaukiwan Division, St. John's Ambulance Brigade, at their 21st birthday celebration. (Chan's Studio)

Admiral G. C. Stedman, vice-president of the United States Lines, is met on arrival at Hong Kong by Mr. H. Ayres (left), local manager. ("China Mail" photo)

Mr. Ayres' luncheon was in honour of Admiral G. C. Stedman, vice-president of the company. ("China Mail" photo)

Miss Magdalen Tiu, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fung Tiu, returned to Honolulu on the General Meigs. (Ephraim's photo)



Mr. Chan Nam Cheong, patron of the division, addresses St. John's Shaukiwan division. (Chan's Studio)



Mrs. R. M. "Ananda" Jennings, now a Buddhist nun, pictured outside the Lady Ho Tung temple. ("China Mail" photo)



Members of the Admiralty Civilian Mess, Kowloon, smile for the camera. ("China Mail" photo)



Group taken at the wedding of Mr. Robert Chu and Miss M. Swaine at St. Margaret's Church. ("China Mail" photo)



After the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. P. Souza at the Rosary Church. ("China Mail" photo)



Miss Stella Romer was married to Mr. Peter Pike at St. John's Cathedral on January 8. ("China Mail" photo)



The younger generation adds to the charm of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald M. Hewitt's wedding at St. John's Cathedral. ("China Mail" photo)



Miss Lo Tak Ching, celebrated Hong Kong swimmer, was married to Mr. Chan Yuen Ming at the Registrar's Office. ("China Mail" photo)

Peter William, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Summers, sleeps after his christening at St. Andrew's Church. ("China Mail" photo)

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Health Page

Atomic Energy In Medicine

Sir John Cockcroft, Director of the British Government's nuclear research establishment at Harwell, told an audience of school children that atomic energy was not a dream of the future but was already being applied extensively to constructive ends such as medical research, and expressed his belief that within three or four years small experimental units would be using nuclear power for industrial purposes.

Sir John was speaking at a conference of the Council for Education in World Citizenship for school children.

He told them that radio-active tracer elements were now being used for the study of plant growth. By mixing radio-active atoms of phosphates with

ordinary fertilizer it was possible to see how a plant used the fertilizer with which it was fed. By mixing radio-active carbon dioxide with ordinary carbon dioxide, the method by which plants turned carbon dioxide into food under the influence of sunlight could be studied.

In medicine, the use of radio-active iodine would make it possible to see where iodine was going, while radio-active phosphorus could be used to test how food was utilised in the body as well as to check blood volume.

Radio-active elements could help industry in many ways. In the oil industry, a little radio-active carbon introduced into crude oil enabled it to be followed in its wanderings round an industrial plant. Metallurgists were interested in the rate at which bearings were being worn and it would be easy to study this and the effects of various kinds of lubricants. The use by hospitals, universities, research centres and industrial laboratories of tracers from Harwell was growing rapidly, and about 150 samples a month were being sent out.

NO WAR NO PEACE

(Continued from Page 1)

But while this force could win the first battle, it could not win a war.

It is, I think, the generally accepted view that had the Russian High Command been intending a blitzkrieg, it would have struck last summer, when our capacity to retaliate sharply was considerably less than it is now and will be next summer.

In fact, however, exasperating the Soviet diplomacy, the Russian High Command has—I was told on excellent authority—been very circumspect.

There has been no interference with the air-lift. Moreover, when the blockade was imposed the Russian troops in Berlin were raw recruits from the more primitive tribes within the USSR.

They were replaced, while the diplomatic tension was mounting, by highly disciplined troops who have behaved, sometimes under great provocation by Germans in Berlin, so as to avoid dangerous incidents.

About the blockade, the air-lift, and the division of Berlin we must have no illusions. The air-lift is an impressive operation, in all respects creditable to the air force and to the pilots and crews who take part in it.

But as an instrument of the policies of Mr. Marshall and Mr. Bohlen, it must be said, I think, that it is subject to the law of diminishing returns—that the longer it continues the less useful it becomes.

For it is not true that the Western sectors of Berlin can be supplied by the air-lift indefinitely. They can be fed. But the factories are working a

TRUE NATURE OF LOVE

Is love physical attraction? Is it how another person makes you feel? Is it "liking the same things"—or even "needing" the other person? November Reader's Digest brings you a condensation from F. Alexander Magoun's widely read book, "Love and Marriage." Read what love (the most powerful force in the world) really consists of...and how common misconceptions about it can bring heartache into any marriage. Get your Reader's Digest today.

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Still want to blow your top? It's only normal to get angry (in fact, it's a basic animal impulse)—but finding safe and sane outlets for anger can spare you unhappiness, even illness. Greer Williams tells what happens to you physically when angered... gives sound advice on the best ways to let off steam. (Condensed from *Better Homes and Gardens*)

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20-hour week, and when the new air-fields being built for the air-lift are completed there will be much unemployment in Berlin.

Herr Reuther, the Socialist leader who won the Berlin election, told us publicly that the present air-lift was not enough, and that as a reward to the Germans who had voted as we wished them to vote we should increase it.

On Our Heads

The whole thing is what Mr. Churchill once said it was—a demonstration that we can stand on our heads while the Russians sit in an armchair. We can, no doubt, stand on our heads quite a long time.

But while we do it, it would be desirable for the planners and operators of our foreign policy to use their heads, and not to let the air-lift become an excuse for avoiding issues that are getting more difficult to solve the longer the situation is allowed to deteriorate.

This, I have reason to know, is substantially the view of many highly responsible and intimately informed men all over Europe and of many of the more experienced and mature Americans.

NEWS QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Yeovil Town, which plays in the Southern League.
2. Hallett Abend, who spent many years in Japan before the war but has not returned since.
3. Mrs. F. I. Tsoing.
4. That the United States is preparing plans to permit her to re-arm Western Europe.
5. The Gackwar of Batoda.



Don't take chances with that Smile!

As soon as you see a warning tinge of 'pink' on your tooth brush, *visit your dentist*.

Nothing serious may be implied, but he is the one to decide. He may tell you it is "simply that your gums are sensitive because to-day's soft foods do not supply them with exercise". All the treatment you may need is "the helpful stimulation of Ipana Tooth Paste and gum massage".

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Programme News

SUNDAY NIGHT DISCUSSION—The first of a series of Sunday night discussions will be broadcast this week with John Morris, Head of the BBC's Far Eastern Service, at chairman. The subjects discussed will be mostly topical and will deal with general affairs in Britain or the Far East. It is hoped to include from time to time speakers from the Far East to discuss current affairs in their own countries. (Far Eastern Service on Sunday at 7.55 p.m.)

'COME TO THE PROMS'—This is the second week of the Henry Wood Promenade Concerts in London. In 'Come to the Proms' this week, the BBC Symphony Orchestra will play works by Beethoven, Borodin, William Walton, Tchaikovsky, Bach, Handel, Brahms, Mendelssohn, Berlioz, Khachaturian, and Vaughan Williams. Among the artists taking part in these very varied concerts are Jean Pougnet, Yewton-Wood (the Australian pianist), Frederick Grinke, and David Martin (Canadian violinists), Kathleen Long, George Thalben-Ball (Australian organist), and Moura Lympany and Solomon.

'Come to the Proms' is broadcast in the General Overseas Service on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, at 10.15 p.m.

Sunday, January 16

FAR EASTERN SERVICE.
A.M.
7.55 Sunday Night Discussion—Chairman: John Morris, Head of the BBC's Far Eastern Service.
GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE.
12.30 MUSIC FROM GRAND HOTEL—The Palm Court Orchestra. Directed by Tom Jenkins. Sylvia Welling (soprano).
1.45 AS THE COMMENTATOR SAW IT—Rugger: Wales v. England.
2.10 THE RADIO DOCTOR.
2.15 TIME FOR WORSHIP—from Victoria Methodist Church, Clifton, Bristol, conducted by the Rev. B. Merson Birnie.
4.30 SUNDAY SERVICE—from Victoria Methodist Church, Clifton, Bristol, conducted by the Rev. B. Merson Birnie.
6.15 Tommy Handley in 'ITMA'.
6.45 BILLY MAYERL—and his Music.
9.15 PHILIP GREEN—and his Concert Orchestra with Dorothea Morrow and her Golden Voices, and Joseph McNally.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 'COME TO THE PROMS'—BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. Conducted by Sir Malcolm Sargent Jean

B.B.C. Highlights

Pougnet (violin) Violin Concerto in D. Beethoven
Polovtsian Dances (Prince Igor) Borodin

Monday, January 17

EASTERN SERVICE

10.30 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME—Simultaneous Discovery—L. L. Whyte describes two dramatic examples and shows that simultaneous discovery is not a freak but may occur when certain conditions exist.

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.
12.30 STRADIVARI ORCHESTRA—Directed by Michael Spivakovsky.
1.00 'ROUND BRITAIN QUIZ'.
4.00 'GREAT EXPECTATIONS'—by Charles Dickens 'Down the River'.
4.30 'HAVE A GO!'—The Quiz visits Land's End.
5.00 'LET JUSTICE BE DONE'—Treason 'The Case of William Joyce'—Script and production by John Gough.
8.15 BANDS WITHIN BANDS—The Reggie Goff Quartet from Reggie Goff's Orchestra.
8.30 'THE WOMEN'S PROGRAMME'.
9.15 BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 'COME TO THE PROMS'—BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. Conducted by Sir Malcolm Sargent Mewton-Wood (Australian pianist) Symphony No. 7 in A. Beethoven Sinfonia Concertante for piano and orchestra William Walton
11.15 Eric Barker in 'WATERLOGGED SPA'.
11.45 'COMMONWEALTH AND EMPIRE'.

Tuesday, January 18

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.
9.30 Kim Peacock and Marjorie Westbury in 'PAUL TEMPLE AND THE CURZON CASE'—A serial by Francis Durrbridge. Episode 5: 'Presenting Carl Walters'.
10.30 'A SLIGHT CASE OF MUSIC'—between Cherry Lind and Benny Lee, accompanied by Alan Paul and Edna Hatzfeld at the pianos.
11.15 RING UP THE CURTAIN—BBC Theatre Orchestra and Chorus. Conductor: Walter Goehr. Lorely Dyer (soprano) Jan van der Gucht (tenor) in excerpts from the Operettas of Oscar Straus.
P.M.
12.30 VARIETY BANDBOX—with Derek Roy, Vincent Tildesley's Mastersingers, Max Bygraves, Kay Cavendish, Bob Andrews, Irying Kaye, Joe Church, and the Cetra Quartet.
2.15 BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA.
4.00 'MARCHING WITH THE GUARDS'—Band of the Coldstream Guards. Conductor: Captain Douglas A. Pope.
4.00 LONDON FORUM.
5.00 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME—A Sorenado—Robert Irwin (baritone) Gareth Morris (flute) Frederick Stone (harpischord and piano) London Chamber Orchestra. Conductor: Anthony Bernard. In a programme of music by Lennox Berkeley, Gerald Finzi, and Scarlatti.
5.30 THE REITH LECTURES—by Bertrand Russell.
6.00 AMERICAN LETTER by Alistair Cooke.
7.15 STRADIVARI ORCHESTRA.
7.45 GENERALLY SPEAKING.
8.45 REG LEOPOLD and his Players.
9.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
9.15 'UP THE POLE'—with Jimmy Jewel, Ben Warriss, Claude Dampier, Jon Pertwee, Betty Paul, FIVE Smith Brothers. The Dance Orchestra, conducted by Stanley Black.
9.45 TWO GUITARS AND A PIANO.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.

10.15 'COME TO THE PROMS'—BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. Conducted by Stanford Robinson Waltz (The Sleeping Beauty) Tchaikovsky
Symphony No. 5 in E minor Tchaikovsky
11.15 BOOKS TO READ.
11.30 THEATRE TALK—by W. Macqueen Pope.
11.45 REPORT FROM BRITAIN—A weekly talk by Vernon Bartlett.

Wednesday, January 19

EASTERN SERVICE

A.M.
10.30 THE BRAINS TRUST—Resident Team: Colin Brooks, Kingsley Martin and Wilson Harris, Question-Master, Gilbert Harding.
GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE
A.M.
10.00 THE STORYTELLER—Mr. Gollightly and the Government Man by Geoffrey Dutton. Read by Ronald Simpson.
11.15 'UP THE POLE'.
11.45 'HANDS ACROSS THE KEYS'. P.M.
12.30 JAZZ CLUB.
1.45 LISTENERS' CHOICE.
2.15 'MUSICAL MEMORIES'.
4.00 'MUCH-BINDING-IN-THE-MARCH'.
5.00 'CONCERTO'—Liszt's Piano Concerto No. 1 in E flat Chopin—Andante Spianato and Polonaise, played by Stephen Wearing and the BBC Northern Orchestra, conductor: Charles Groves. Programme also includes Dvorak's Slavonic Rhapsody No. 2 in G minor, and Schubert's Entr'acte in B flat (Rosamunde).
6.00 CHAPTER AND VERSE.
7.15 BBC WELSH ORCHESTRA—Conducted by Arwel Hughes.
7.45 GENERALLY SPEAKING 'The Right Thing to Do' by Barbara Wootton.
9.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
9.15 'VARIETY CALLS THE TUNE'—BBC Variety Orchestra. Conductor: Rae Jenkins with Colin Horsley (New Zealand pianist) and Frank Titterton (tenor).
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 'COME TO THE PROMS'—SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. Conducted by Sir Malcolm Sargent Frederick Grinke and David Martin (Canadian violinists) Kathleen Long (piano) George Thalben-Ball (Australian organist) The Goldsmiths' Choral Union—Concerto in D minor for two violins and strings Bach The Plague Chorus: Final Chorus, Sing Ye to the Lord (Israel in Egypt) Handel
Piano Concerto No. 5 in E minor Bach
Overture in D minor Elgar Coronation Anthem, Zadok the Priest Handel
11.15 LAND AND LIVESTOCK—An Agricultural magazine.
11.45 THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE THREE POLITICAL PARTIES IN BRITAIN 'The Labour Party' A talk by H. N. Brailsford.

Thursday, January 20

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.
10.30 BILLY MAYERL and his Music.
P.M.
1.00 SYDNEY LIPTON and his Orchestra.
1.30 SPORTS BULLETIN.
1.45 LISTENERS' CHOICE.
4.00 IN BRITAIN NOW—A National Magazine.
4.30 'TIP-TOP TUNES'.
5.00 THE MERCHANT NAVY PROGRAMME.
6.00 SCIENCE AND EVERYDAY LIFE—A talk on remembering and forgetting by H. F. Lock.
7.15 ARTHUR BIRKBY OCTET—with Billy Mayerl (piano) and Roland Robson (baritone).

8.15 CELEBRITY RECITAL. Pierre Fournier (violin) Ernest Lush (piano).—Sonata in F major Brahms
8.45 'A SLIGHT CASE OF MUSIC'.
9.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
9.15 'LET'S MAKE MUSIC'—Cyril Stapleton and his Orchestra with Dick James, Pearl Carr, The Keynotes, and the Stapletons and the Revell Terry Quartet.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 'COME TO THE PROMS'—BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. Conducted by Sir Malcolm Sargent Solomon (piano) Academic Festival Overture Brahms
Piano Concerto No. 2 in B flat Brahms
Symphony No. 4 in A (Italian) Mendelssohn

Friday, January 21

EASTERN SERVICE

A.M.
10.30 THE STORYTELLER—'Mr. Gollightly and the Government Man' by Geoffrey Dutton, read by Ronald Simpson.
GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE
A.M.
9.15 LOOKING AT BRITAIN.
9.30 'ITMA'.
10.00 'MEET THE COMMONWEALTH'.
11.15 'FROM THE PROMS'—BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. Conducted by Sir Malcolm Sargent Anthony Pini (violin) A Dance Rhapsody No. 1 in A Debussy
Violoncello Concerto in E minor Elgar
P.M.
12.30 'CAPRICE'—An entertainment with Jimmy Bailey, Bruce Trent,

Keep this page for use during the week.

Barbara Sumner, David Java, and Alexander Archdale.
10.00 Arthur Young in 'GEORGE FOX'—A biography about the founder of the Society of Friends. Written by Heather Johnson.
4.45 'A SLIGHT CASE OF MUSIC'.
5.30 CELEBRITY RECITAL. Julius Isserlis (piano)—Twenty-four preludes Scriabin
6.00 THE MAKING OF A PLAY—The Producer Alan Dent discusses with Frank Shelley the contribution made by the Producer.
7.30 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME 'On Conducting Beethoven'—A conversation between H. N. Brailsford and Dr. Wilhelm Furtwangler.
9.15 BILLY TERNENT—and his Orchestra.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 'COME TO THE PROMS'—BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. Conducted by Sir Malcolm Sargent Moura Lympany (piano) Overture: Beatrice and Benedict Berlioz
Piano Concerto Khachaturian
Symphony No. 5 in D Vaughan Williams
11.45 WORLD AFFAIRS—A survey by A. P. Ryan.

Saturday, January 22

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.
9.30 'WATERLOGGED SPA'.
10.45 WORLD AFFAIRS.
11.15 BILLY TERNENT—and his Orchestra.
P.M.
12.30 LISTENERS' CHOICE.
1.45 TRANSVAAL v. M.C.C.—An eye-witness account.
4.30 'UP THE POLE'.
5.45 EMELIE HOOKE (Australian soprano).
6.30 'MUSICAL PATTERNS' 'Scherzo'—an illustrated talk by Joseph Cooper.
8.45 LIGHT MUSIC.
9.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.
9.15 RAY MARTIN—and his Orchestra.
10.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 SATURDAY SPORT—including commentaries on Association Football: Everton v. Chelsea; Commentator: Alan Clarke at Goodison Park, Liverpool. (Music included during this period).

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Variety Fare

(Continued from Page 4)
VAUGHAN William's lovely Romance, "The Lark Ascending" follows. An admirable foil for the solo violin is provided in this truly bucolic music, redolent of the sweet-scented country lanes of England at the start of a summer's day. The picture painted is so lifelike that I doubt if anyone other than Vaughan Williams—inevitably associated with folk-love and music of Britain—could attempt so perfect a composition.

Dellus' opera "Fennimore and Gerda," from which the intermezzo is being played tonight, is not very well-known. Some of the music, which I know but slight, seems to me to recall the days spent in the sun-drenched orange groves of Florida. This music will be worth hearing because it is being so seldom played.

The Cesar Franck Sonata, played by Rubenstein and Heifetz, is probably a little of a misfit in a Symphony Concert. It is however, being included by special request, and will afford a chance to hear music that is heard far less than it deserves.

MONDAY

AT 8.10 p.m. on Monday night, there is the first of a series of six programmes devoted to the English Madrigal. It is given by the Cambridge University Madrigal Society, the soloists to be heard including Isobel Baillie and Keith Falkner. Among these traditional airs is to be heard some lovely music, so that this series deserves every attention.

TUESDAY

AT 8.30 p.m. on Tuesday Lela Vincent (Contralto) is giving the first of a series of programmes devoted to the music of one composer. Tonight the composer chosen is Robert Franz, whose name seldom appears in concert programmes nowadays. Franz, who lived from 1815-1892, was of German origin, and is almost entirely neglected nowadays. This neglect is not entirely justified by the charm of some of his songs, as tonight's programme of his works will prove.

THURSDAY

MOZART'S name seems to be cropping up quite a lot in this week's notes, as he is again represented on Thursday night at 8.30 p.m. by his Piano Concerto (K.491) in C Minor. Edwin Fischer, the eminent Swiss pianist, is the soloist, with the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

Mozart's concertos, as do Bach's also, vary greatly from the conceptions of Beethoven and Mendelssohn. So delicate and light is the texture, that really they could be described as chamber music, but on a slightly larger scale. The orchestral background is kept to a minimum; indeed, even the soloist himself, if he is worthy of the name, would not dream to use the full power of the key-board.

Concerto is certainly a convenient name under which to group these works, but those who seek for the grand climax of say Beethoven's Emperor or Grieg's A Minor Concerto, will find them lacking.

IN this lies much of the secret of their eternal charm. The delicate web of fantasy spun by Mozart's genius is of such gossamer-like texture that the listener is held enthralled. The agile fingers of the soloist drawing out the fast-moving solo line, flash nimbly over the keys. Truly this is music "as such stuff as dreams are made on."

This feature will be a "must" item for all who like music.

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New Books

The Eisenhower Story

BY
MAJOR GENERAL SIR FRANCIS W. de GUINGAND,
 Chief of Staff 21st Army Group 1944-45.

I found General Eisenhower's book *Crusade in Europe*, a most readable, modest and, within my knowledge, reasonably accurate account of great events.

It is, however, somewhat naturally, written with an American bias, and controversies, as well as personalities, are dealt with.

As to controversial matters, General Eisenhower on most issues makes a good case. Regarding personalities, my old chief, Field-Marshal Montgomery, does not come off too well.

It is only human that war leaders should wish to justify their actions; but I do not believe it serves any useful purpose to continue arguing about "might-have-beens," as opposed to positive actions, especially when it endangers smooth relations between America and ourselves.

General Eisenhower is, of course, free to say what he thinks, and this he does. It is obvious, however, that he does not rank Field-Marshal Montgomery as highly as the British do. I just wonder whether it was necessary to be so outspoken in times such as these. Remember that Lord Montgomery, in view of his present appointment cannot reply. As to the accusation of unnecessary bias in favour of the Americans, let us be fair and remember that the book is primarily for American consumption.

Also the United States had considerably greater forces employed in the European theatre than ourselves.

Finally, it is only natural that General Eisenhower should write more about American generals, for he dealt with the 21st Army Group through Field-Marshal Montgomery.

I admire General Eisenhower tremendously, and I believe his account of the war and the expression of his views are written with genuine conviction.

Although I knew General Eisenhower well I never realised what a colossal burden he bore until I read *Crusade in Europe*. He was continuously involved in political problems, and those covering supply, in addition to directing the naval, land and air resources under his command.

Great decisions rested with him alone. There were those which launched the landings in North Africa and Normandy; the decision to announce Italy's surrender in spite of Badoglio's last-minute attack of cold feet; the problems of the French and the "Colmar pocket," the recognition of Admiral Darlan—and a host of others.

They may look simple in retrospect, but each must have taxed General Eisenhower to the full.

I disagree with the view that the British part is not given fair treatment.

General Eisenhower shows understanding, and pays many tributes.

General Anderson's difficulties in Tunisia are fully recognised, just as are the Eighth Army's when brought to a halt on the Catania plain.

Again, General Eisenhower emphasises the predominant strength arrayed against the 21st Army Group around Caen, and he describes the opposition to our advance toward Falaise as "the strongest defences encountered throughout the entire campaign."

Then he admits that the task of the United States Ninth Army in its advance West of the Rhine was made easier by the transfer of strength to the Canadian front.

There are certain omissions which those of us who served under Field-Marshal Montgomery would like to have seen mentioned.

These include the part Montgomery played in preparing the final plan for Tunisia, his insistence on a change of plan for Sicily and his modification of "Overlord" (the invasion of Normandy).

The book will surprise many in its revelation of the extent of America's contribution. Our contribution was great and total, and General Eisenhower

acknowledges this. But we should appreciate that during the last year of the war United States deployment on the Continent was greatly in excess of our own.

Appendix "A," giving the Allied order of battle, clearly brings out this point.

After Normandy the 21st Army Group could not undertake from its own resources any major offensive—considerable United States reinforcements had to be provided.

For instance, for the crossing of the Rhine half our divisions were American.

It is also natural that General Eisenhower should give a full measure of importance to such great American successes as Saint Lo, the forcing of the Siegfried Line and the brilliant exploitation of the Rampan bridgehead.

Many are under the impression that the 21st Army Group were the first to cross the Rhine, while in fact the Americans had three corps across the river by the date of our assault.

It is not a bad thing to be reminded what we owe America, particularly what she is today doing so much to assist her late Allies, as well as her late enemies, in their fight back to prosperity.

General Eisenhower vigorously defends his decision not to appoint a land force Commander. Field-Marshal Montgomery disagreed with this view.

Theoretically, and considering the immense burden Eisenhower shouldered, Montgomery's view appears logical. In practice, however, it is not as easy as all that. Everyone appeared satisfied—Montgomery included—with the initial set-up whereby my chief commanded and co-ordinated the first phase in Normandy.

It is only fair to say the Supreme Commander made it plain from the start that he would bring in General Omar Bradley's Army Group when General Patton's Army entered the field.

Montgomery, I think, was disappointed when after the successful turn of events in Normandy his powers of co-ordination were taken from him.

The best answer would have been to appoint a land force commander from the start, but by the end of August this would have been difficult.

In the first place he would have had to be an American, because of their major contribution and because Eisenhower's deputy and the two other Commanders-in-Chief were British.

In any case, by this time I doubt whether Montgomery would have been wholly acceptable to the Americans. Then who was it to be? I find it difficult to see what other course Eisenhower could have followed.

Generally speaking the Supreme Commander confined himself to the general strategy of the land campaign, and the suggestion that he interfered in the tactical picture is not wholly just.

Do not forget that two of his Army Group Commanders appeared to be satisfied, and as a comparison, I believe the successful Red Army divided their command into "fronts" or Army Groups, while the strategy and control was directed by Stalin from Moscow.

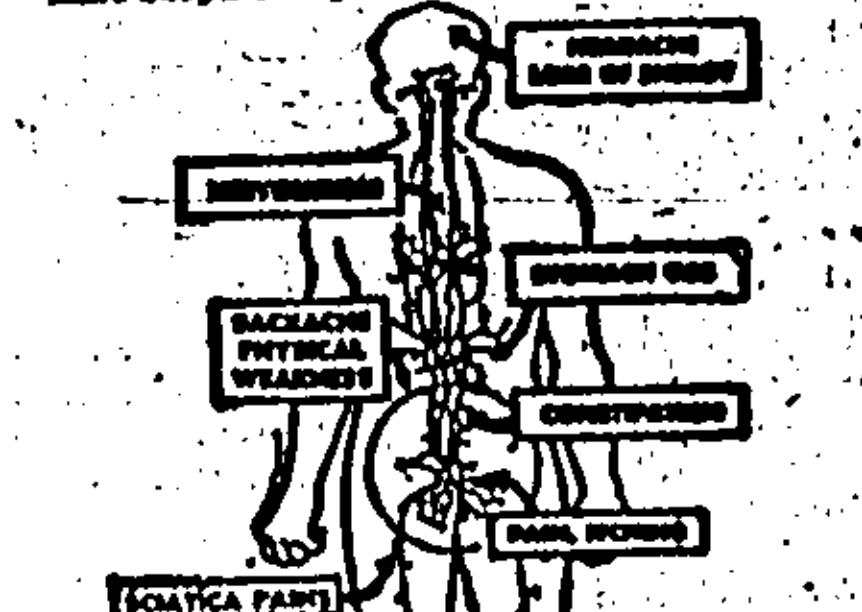
General Eisenhower criticises Lord Montgomery's method of exercising command, that is from Tactical Headquarters. I appreciate that there were certain weaknesses in this set-up, but on balance I believe Montgomery was right, particularly as he maintained far more intimate control than other Army Group commanders.

I felt it was a pity, however, he did not occasionally visit SHAEF as did his colleagues—it would have done a lot of good.

I have never supported the view that the war could have been finished in 1944, and I find General Eisenhower's arguments in favour of his strategy convincing.

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Chinarold

Here again, theoretically, a single thrust North of the Ruhr, supported by all our resources, might now look the Staff College solution. But the enemy resistance in Germany, the lack of the port of Antwerp, poor roads and inadequate railways, the lack of bridging and the coming bad weather were some practical difficulties.

The effect of such a course, particularly if unsuccessful, on American opinion and on the United States commanders and troops could not be entirely overlooked by Eisenhower.

Doubt has been expressed concerning the existence of a long-term plan for North-West Europe. I attended at least two planning meetings at SHAEF before D-Day and recollect provision being made for a double thrust into Germany on either side of the Rhine, with a link-up at Kassel.

The importance of the port of Antwerp and airfields in the Low Countries was stressed, and the need to reinforce the 21st Army Group with American formations after Normandy was accepted.

The treatment of this important episode is of particular interest. Three things stand out: First, the overwhelming part played by American forces in the battle. The second is the fact that Eisenhower and Bradley appreciated the risk of an attack through the Ardennes.

I do not, however, remember the 21st Army Group being told about this matter. I guess that Eisenhower felt the risk was pretty small, in view of the overwhelming power of the "strategic and tactical forces available."

Bad weather, however, produced an opportunity for the Germans to spring a surprise.

Finally, General Eisenhower emphasises how dangerous were inter-Allied relations as a result of Montgomery's Press conference after the Ardennes battle, and the misinformed attitude taken up by the British Press.

I found the final chapter on Russia of absorbing interest. How full of promise were those early postwar contacts between Eisenhower, Stalin and Zhukov?

It is difficult to read about these talks, which sound so sincere, without speculating whether the West could not have played their hand to better advantage.

The Americans and ourselves must never forget that Eisenhower and his team of British and American commanders brought the Allies total and complete victory.

I therefore deprecate any writings which tend to throw grit into our smooth relationship—an association so important to the world today.

It is always good to hear the other camp's viewpoint, but I advocate soft-peddling on controversial "might-have-beens" and criticism of each other by the great war leaders.

These gentlemen, however, should not become too sensitive about what is written. Nothing can destroy each nation's debt of gratitude.

I enjoyed "The" book, and in it there is honour for all.

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In Town Last Night

That England has every reason to be proud of her cultured young women may be judged from a typical scene which occurred at Victoria Station last night.

When the 6.24 p.m. from East Croydon arrived at Platform 6 a wildly enthusiastic crowd of girls burst through the barrier and surrounded a little man who was carrying a black attache case. In less than a minute they had torn all the buttons off his overcoat, smashed up his umbrella for souvenirs, wrenched off his collar and tie, and smothered his astonished face in lipstick.

"Ladies, ladies," he exclaimed, trying to hide behind a policeman, "you're making a terrible mistake! I'm only a scientist!"

"You don't have to tell us that, Professor Woam!" cried a beautiful Brixton girl. "We're all fans of yours here!"

At this point a pretty black-eyed debutante from Kensington stepped forward shyly with a bouquet.

"On behalf of the serious girls of London," she said with a curtsy, "it is my proud privilege to congratulate you on that wonderful paper on the Common Cold which you read before the Royal Society last month."

Amid resounding cheers Professor Woam was then hoisted on to the shoulders of a handsome young Roedean half-back and carried triumphantly to his hotel.

At an early hour this morning the girls were still serenading him.

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A Thought For Tomorrow

"Most politicians will admit, in private, that one source of trade stagnation is that the price of labour has been forced up beyond its real value. As, however, they want votes from the electors, they will also admit that they cannot say this on a public platform."

—Walter Sickert

Basic English

In reply to our request (17/1/48) that the broken pencils in post offices shall be hung nearer to the telegraph forms or, alternatively, that the chains on the broken pencils shall be lengthened, a Civil Servant writes:

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I have the honour to be your obedient servant.

Jas Ubbitt.

To this we have replied briefly in our mother tongue:

Sir—All the nibs are crossed too.

Frankly yours.

We have nothing further to add.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 1949.

Over to You

NEWS QUIZ

1. Only one non-League club survived the third round of the Football Association Cup last week-end. Do you recall its name?
2. A well-known American journalist, recognised as an expert on Far Eastern affairs, drew a sharp retort from General MacArthur protesting against his analysis of the state of Communism in Japan? The journalist was who?
3. The new Family Welfare Society was officially established in Hong Kong. Who is the first Chairman?
4. President Truman announced a record Budget for the United States, providing involving fresh taxation. What was the most striking statement in the speech from the viewpoint of foreign policy?
5. A famous Indian Prince who has done much racing in England announced his withdrawal from the English Turf, and the sale of his stables. Do you recall his name?

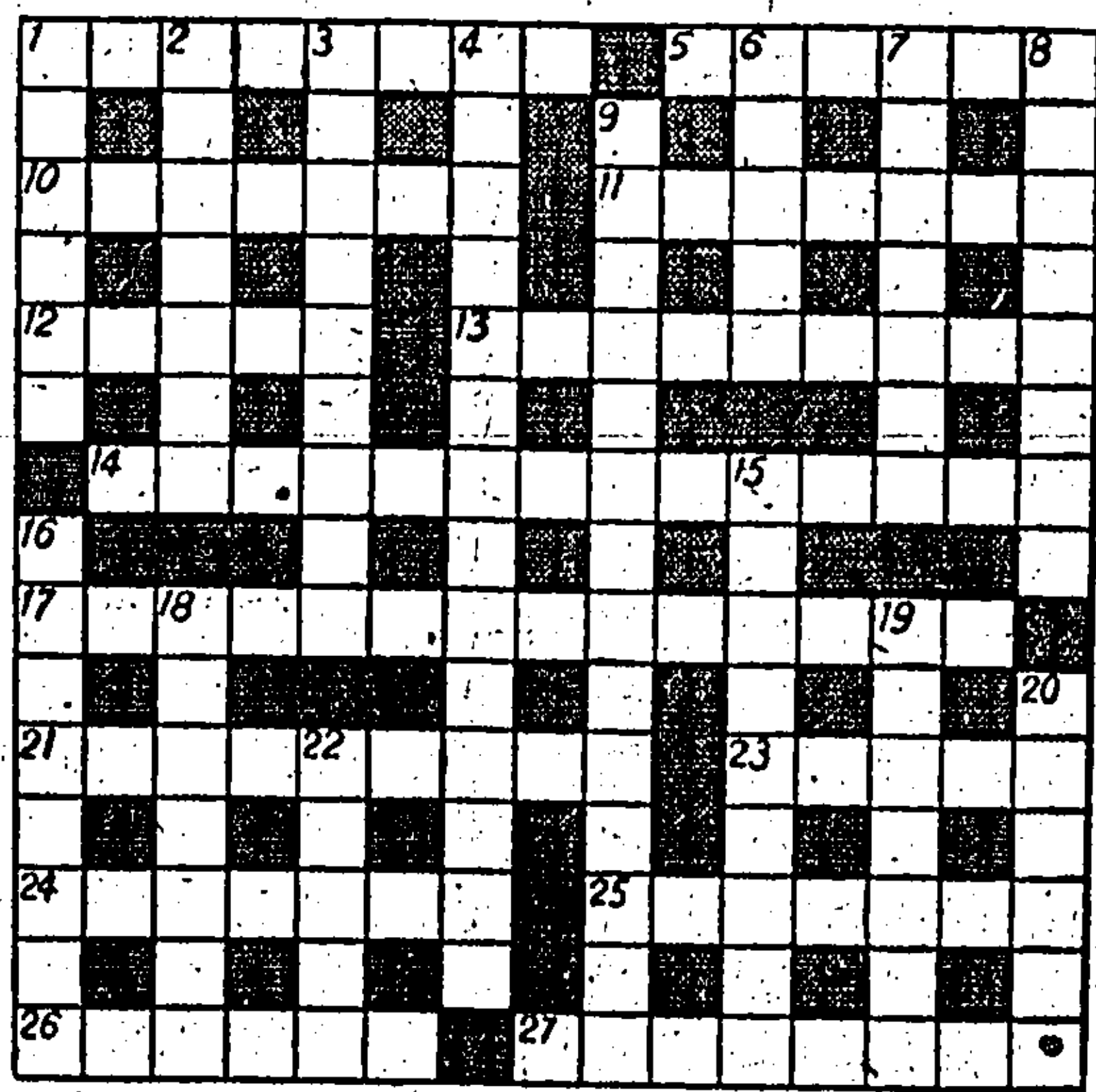
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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. In making use of the verb "to pullulate" would you be suggesting a sprouting, the clearing of the throat or a circulatory motion?
2. What does hysteresis mean? Something pertaining to hysteria, a measure of time connected with magnetic force, or an ailment?
3. About when was the Theatre of Zeus built at Dodoni in Epirus?
4. How would you technically describe an inverting the logical or usual form of an expression?
5. What is gregory-powder?
6. By what other name are snowdrops known?
7. What is a dotterell? A person who is not quite all there, a species of plover, or part of a loom.
8. Catacaustic is an adjective which means what?
9. A loophole in the wall of a fort or castle through which the cross-bow men shot their arrows is known as a—?

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ACROSS

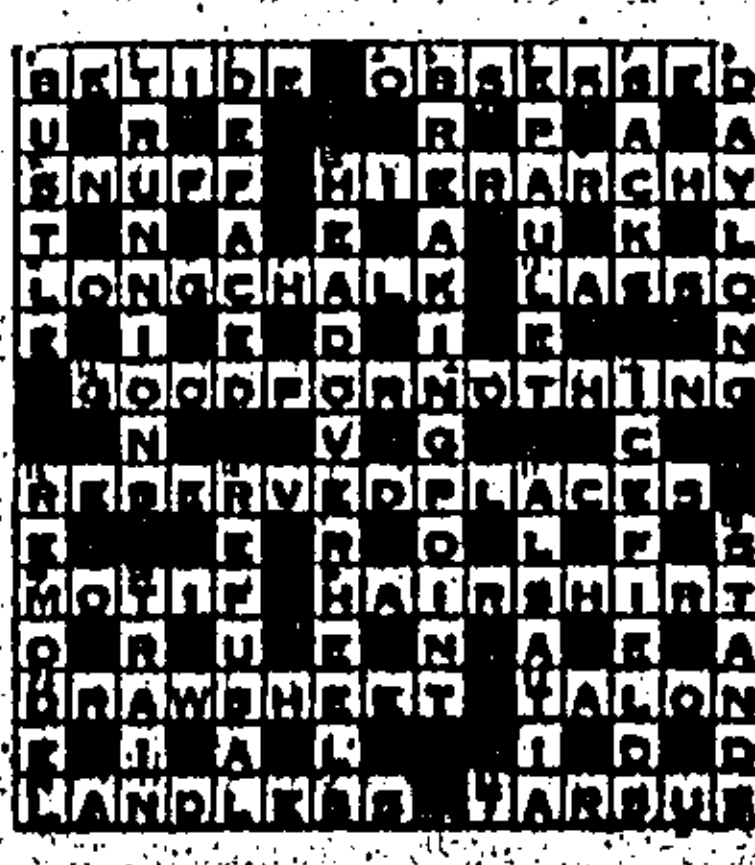
- 1 Set the ten apparatus in motion; it's a good show. (4, 4)
- 5 A rainy bow, but stiffening. (6)
- 10 Just a lion-headed dragon-tailed goat. (7)
- 11 This poem is not circular letter. (7)
- 12 Property like a group. (5)
- 13 A good fellow and a knowing one get taken in hand. (9)
- 14 It is all the time there is, and more. (3, 4, 3, 1, 3)

- 17 Bright results of one's current expenditure. (8, 6)
- 21 Full of wind and in a mute panic. (9)
- 23 How all men are created, as Lincoln said. (5)
- 24 Such sports often involve a row. (7)
- 25 It is for something cryptogamous. (4, 3)
- 26 Like the end of the day? (6)
- 27 Metal for the national system of 17? (8)

DOWN

- 1 The sort of evening in which one keeps company. (6)
- 2 Ails, too, becoming him. (7)
- 3 This may be given if one is only patient. (9)
- 4 One way to break up the gathering. (4, 3, 4, 3)
- 6 The umpire when Eire's all out. (5)
- 7 Employee of the extreme left in Ulster. (3, 4)
- 8 Naturally they make hay with lidos. (8)
- 9 Hardly matchless in conceit. (5, 2, 7)
- 18 Turned up in books. (9)
- 19 Ship officer's assistant? (8)
- 20 One should do this with a will. (7)
- 21 Cricketer who used a 12. (7)
- 22 His stenographer called him a "puttock". (6)
- 23 It is on the road. (6)

SOLUTION TO No. 90



BRIDGE

Some problem hands:—

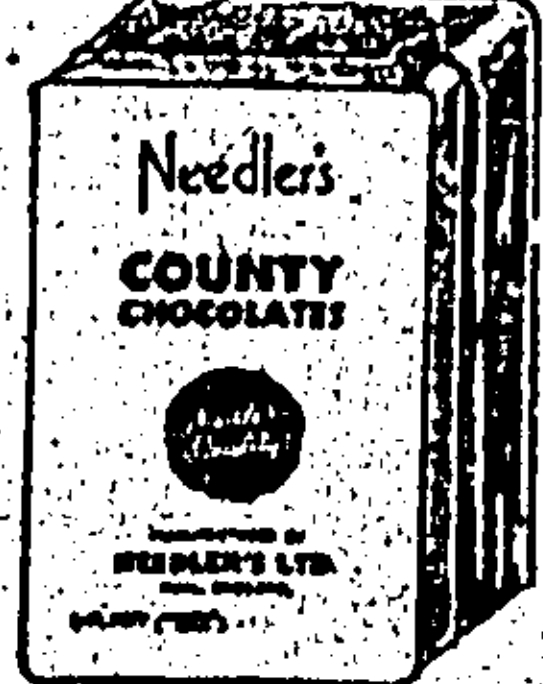
1. West, dealer, One Diamond; North, Pass; East, One Heart; South, Pass. What should West say, holding:
S—A J 10 7
H—6
D—A K Q J 9
C—Q J 3
2. West, dealer, One Spade; North, Two Diamonds; East, Three Spades; South, Four Diamonds; West, Pass; North, Pass. What should East say, holding:
S—Q J 9 8 4
H—A K 10 9
D—8
C—K J 4
3. West, dealer, Three No-trumps; North, Pass; East, Pass. What should East say, holding:
S—Q 7 4 3 2
H—J D 4
D—Q 7 4 3
C—6
4. West, dealer, Pass; North, Pass; East, Three Hearts. What should South say, holding:
S—A 9 8 7 6
H—K J 4
D—K Q 4
C—A 5
5. West, dealer, One Club; West should North say, holding:
S—Q 10 9 7
H—Q 10 9 7
D—A Q 2
C—A 5
6. West, dealer, One Club; North, Pass; East, One Spade; South, Pass; West, Two Clubs; North, Pass. What should East say, holding:
S—A 9 6 5 4 3 2
H—K J
D—8
C—Q 10 2
7. West, dealer, One Spade; North, Pass. What should East say, holding:
S—A 4
H—10 8 4 3 2
D—J 8 4
C—K J 3
8. West, dealer, One Spade; North, Two Hearts. (a) What should East holding:
S—K 7 4 3 2
H—9
D—A Q 9 6 2
C—6 2

(b) How many tricks, at most, can East expect to make in his own hand in a contract in Spades by West?

9. Opponents do not bid. What should West and East say the first round of bidding, holding:

West (dealer).
S—K 10 8 7 6
H—A
D—A K J 9
C—K 5 4

East.
S—Q J
H—J 9 8 7
D—10 6 3
C—Q J 10 8



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THE FUTURE OF FRANCO'S SPAIN

This has been General Franco's twelfth year of office. During these 12 years, Spain's Caudillo has welded greater power than any ruler of Spain since Philip II and he prides himself on having won many battles for the Spain of tradition which he claims to represent.

A couple of years ago he told the country there was still one more important battle on the economic front. Here the Generalissimo is finding progress indeed difficult. Spain's economic and financial situation has steadily deteriorated, until it is now "critical." The economic crisis has become the factor most likely to change the course of events in Spain in 1949.

Francisco's Falangist National Syndicalist formula of centralized economy, with its army of petty bureaucrats, provides a glaring example of failures, chaos and corruption. Some experts doubt whether Franco can succeed in avoiding serious economic consequences without substantial foreign aid in 1949. This help, it is estimated, would need to exceed 400 million dollars to put Spain on her feet—rather 400 million dollars, since it is towards the United States that General Franco's eyes are turned.

Economic Set-Up

Financial and material aid to Spain would undoubtedly enable her to play a more useful part in the rehabilitation of Europe. She possesses rich deposits of high-grade iron ores, potash and pyrites, as well as lead, zinc, mercury, resin, cork and many other raw materials. In normal times, her agriculture enabled her to be nearly self-sufficient in cereals and to be a large exporter of foodstuffs, including citrus fruits, olive oil, cotton, tomatoes, bananas and other fruits and vegetables, which Europe needs. Spain also has oil refineries, a timber fleet, a sizeable though antiquated merchant marine, a textile industry, and certain supplies of coal. But she lacks machinery of all kinds, tractors and agricultural fertilisers, and her inland transport is one of her worst weaknesses.

The problem of Spain as a factor in European revival still seems to be governed by politics. Nevertheless, it is knowledgeable

circles in Madrid there is great hope that the United States may find ways and means of helping Spain outside the OEEC context.

Meanwhile, prices rise and wages lag behind. The black-market is more rampant than ever. The shop windows are stacked with luscious food and drink to tempt the palate and whet the appetite of the most exacting gourmet, but prices are well beyond many workers' pockets. Rations are still inadequate, but all basic foods can be bought in any quantity, at exorbitant prices, from racketeers.

A prolonged drought and lack of hydro-electric plant have added to Spain's economic difficulties. There are now the most stringent electric power cuts since the Civil War.

Price Problem

Spain's exports of many products have been seriously hampered by the increasing gap between Spanish and world prices, due to a grossly over-valued peseta. Straight devaluation is

BY WILLIAM STUTTARD

stubbornly rejected. Various expedients have been tried, such as subsidies. "Combined accounts," etc. The Government recently announced the introduction of varying rates of exchange which will be applicable to specified imports and exports. The annual budget estimates will soon be published. The Army, Civil Guards and Police, I understand, will account for about 40 per cent of the total budget, whilst agriculture and education will be allotted their usual absurdly small amounts in comparison. The maintenance of the Falange Party, with its thousands of bureaucrats, is an expense the people would be glad to be rid of.

The Spanish Army's present strength is said to be about 300,000; the Civil Guards and Armed Police number around 100,000. In case of emergency the Army could be expanded to over a million men. Spain's soldiers, sailors and airmen have today neither the necessary modern equipment nor adequate tactical training to face a well-equipped

enemy. But none are braver than Spaniards, who would stand up to any invaders as they did against Napoleon.

No Signs

As for the political situation, General Franco still shows no signs of wanting to throw in his hand. The delay in "liberalisation" of the regime, however, is beginning to cause uneasiness. The Church, which has closely identified itself with Franco's regime, is beginning to fear the consequences if a sudden collapse came. Its leaders would like to see the Caudillo make some evolutionary moves in the New Year.

The situation in Spain is undoubtedly fraught with dangers. Blood feuds have multiplied since the end of the civil war in 1939. Many Spaniards feel that any abrupt solution to the problem of their lost liberties runs the risk of precipitating another civil conflict of vengeance. Haunted by this fear, many of them, though disliking Franco and hating the Falange, continue to support the evil they know. The misfortune of the Spaniards' position lies in their own lack of policy after years of rigid and alienated conformity. An evolution, therefore, towards the "democratisation" of the present regime would seem to be the safest policy at this juncture.

Leave Her Alone

The best service that Britain can do to Spain is to leave her alone to work out her own salvation. Experience has shown that all foreigners who meddle in Spain's peculiar politics usually end in having their fingers burnt. For British people to believe that the problems of Madrid and Barcelona are similar to those of Manchester and Birmingham is to imagine a world simpler than it is. Liberty cannot exist without public order, as we ourselves discovered many years ago. Before Spaniards can develop free institutions akin to ours they have first to solve the problem which has perplexed them for a long time—the reconciliation of freedom with law and order. For us here, the present subservience to a dictatorship is but a passing phase.

THE "HONEYMOON" WILL BE BRIEF

By Clifford Hulme

A pay boost for President Truman in first business for the new Congress.

Truman is a poor man, and though he has just recommended pay rises for all cabinet ministers and some 200 other underpaid top executives, modestly keeps him silent on his own need.

However, most Americans agree that his \$18,750 taxable salary and \$10,000 expenses are not enough to meet all the calls on his purse. So the Senators, backed by ex-President Hoover, will move that the Presidential salary be increased to \$25,000 a year and his expense allowance to \$22,500.

Because the cautious Founding Fathers 160 years ago put a clause in the Constitution barring a pay rise for any President while in office, Congress will have exactly 16 days in which to act. Truman's new term starts officially January 20, so if he is to leave the White House four years hence with anything more than a few odd dollars saved, the Bill must be through by noon that day when he is inaugurated amid a tremendous flourish of ceremonies.

Truman's Aims

It is traditional that Congress give a new President a trouble-free "honeymoon" during which partisan asperities are kept to a minimum. This time the "honeymoon" is likely to be short. Truman intends to hit quick and hard at the outset for the kind of legislation he wants. Much of it is highly controversial, and the fact that Truman's party has a majority in both Houses is no guarantee that all will be plain sailing when it comes to voting.

Parliamentary discipline is not very strong in America. Congressmen frequently cross party lines in their voting and put regional interests ahead of national ones on many an issue. There is hard-core opposition to the Democrats on a topic on which the Democrats can present a solid front. The same, of course, is true of the Republicans who range in views from progressive to complete dihard. We must, therefore, expect Truman to have troubles aplenty with Congress.

Far To Left

Judging by his campaign promises, Truman is further to the Left than any other man who ever sat in the White House, not excepting Franklin Roosevelt. But

the proof of where he really stands will come in a rush during the next three weeks, and it will be found in four important messages he is to send to Congress outlining his plans in various fields. On Wednesday January 5 before a joint session of both Houses he will deliver his State of the Union message.

In the role as it were of doctor, he will examine the body politic, diagnose its condition and prescribe the remedies he wants Congress to apply. His next message a few days later will concentrate on the nation's economic position. Another message will cover foreign affairs. Most important of all will be the budget message. This, for Americans, is the key to everything. From it they will learn if taxes are to go down, stay as they are or go up; some will probably go up. It will also set forth the amounts Truman wants to carry out his election promises on better housing, more aid to education, extended social security and other welfare projects. And it will disclose how much is to be spent on defence, about which most Americans are enthusiastic till it comes to paying the bill. Truman has already announced a spending ceiling of \$3,760,000,000 for defence amid cries of rage and anguish from generals and admirals who are hostile towards it.

Marshall Aid

Provision for a second year of Marshall aid, at a lower level than in the first year, is assured after searching debate into the use of aid so far. American concern that every dollar of aid shall be used to the best effect is legitimate and sensible, although some utterances in this debate may cause annoyance and even anger abroad. M-plan dollars are not being shovelled out of an inexhaustible reserve, but come from taxes on millions of people who are squeezed by high prices.

Finally what provision will the Truman budget make for military aid to Western Europe this year? At the moment that is the President's own secret, but do not expect him to name a spectacular sum. Much of this aid will initially come from war surplus stocks. A mere vote of dollars would still leave the problem of how to convert them into arms from materials in scarce supply, with consequent further strain on America's already tight economy.

Little Johnny, BA, Is 3 Steps Nearer

Little Johnny's chances of a university education in Britain have gone up three notches while he has been on holiday—if he is a bright boy.

Notch One: The only child, within sight of the 1948-49 target of 90,000 students, at State universities now is 83,000, compared with the pre-war average of 50,000—which nearly doubles little Johnny's chances.

Notch Two: A call by the special working party which has been examining university awards for big increases in the numbers of State and county scholarships, and increases in the value of those scholarships sufficient to help maintain students during the vacations. Further, this working party wants help for parents in higher income groups.

Notch Three: The suggestion, made guardedly by the influential University Grants Committee, that it is time to consider making university education, at Oxford, Cambridge, or any of the other universities, free to everyone.

Out of every 100 students now at the universities 29 are there completely at State expense—they are ex-Servicemen—and 89 are being helped by the State or by local authorities.

State help, of course, comes from ordinary income-tax payers, John Citizen; help by the local authorities, such as county scholarships, is financed by the local ratepayer, again John Citizen.

Only 32 students out of every 100 are at university at the full expense of their parents, and the number grows fewer.

Cost of sending a boy to Oxford or Cambridge now runs to as much as £1,000 for a normal three-year course (exclusive of the cost of clothing him and his maintenance during the long holidays), and £50 to £70 a year in fees, books, etc. (again exclusive of maintenance), if he attends London or a provincial university and lives at home. Progressively fewer parents can afford such expense.

The universities' costs have risen slightly faster than the students' rolls. Pre-war they used to get along on a total of just over £6,000,000 a year. Now their costs total more than £13,000,000 a year.

From that sum something over £5,500,000 is being supplied by John Citizen, most of it out of his PAYE deductions, the remainder from the bi-annual cheques he sends to his local council for rates. Fees, etc., paid by the parents who pay for their sons and daughters to go to university amounts to just over £3,000,000—23.2 per cent of total income.

By John Hall

The universities claim they need still more money—for staff and for new buildings. One grumble is that staff salaries have not kept pace with outside salaries, or with living costs.

Average professor earns £29 a week, assistant professors and readers £19 a week and full-time lecturers £13 a week.

The Government have promised to increase State aid up to £13,000,000 a year, and in addition hand the universities a sum of £20,000,000 over a period of five years for new buildings and new equipment.

All that extra cost will fall on John Citizen; so will the cost of the extra scholarships and any increased values.

"Drop All Fees"

It is these developments which have prompted university leaders to the view that since he is financing the universities to such a large extent—and it is going to be more—it would be wisest to go the whole hog, drop fees altogether, and make the universities all free for his children.

They point out that this would

not interfere with the special scholarships which now exist.

It would, however, greatly affect the outlook of parents who work hard and make sacrifices to give little Johnny, even if he is not bright, the benefits of university education.

For it would mean the entry to university would be on a new basis—a personal test of Johnny's ability to win a place in competition with thousands of other candidates.

Already, under the new all-free State education at the lower level, thousands of parents have a similar worry. If their children are not quite clever enough to pass through to grammar school the parents must pay to send them to an independent school, or let them go free of charge to a modern or technical school.

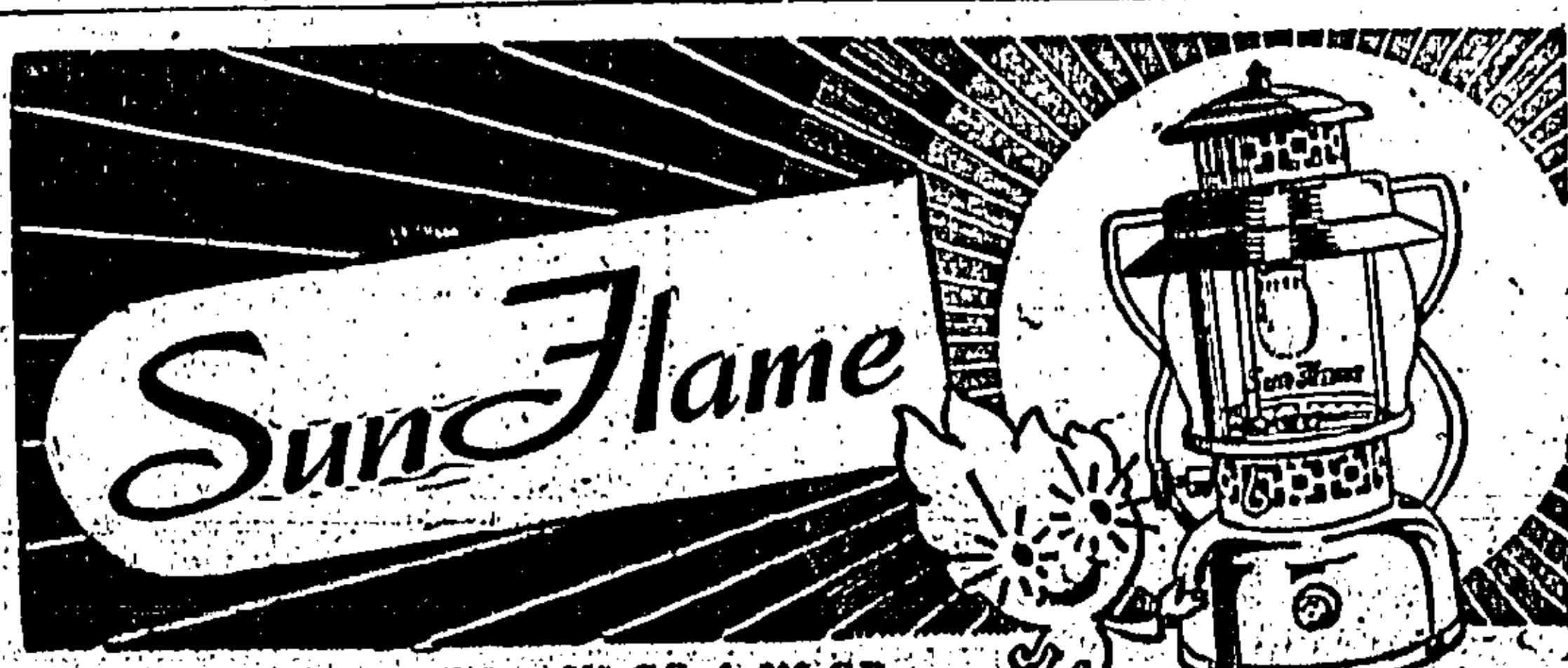
All-free universities would leave no way out except sending the youngsters to universities overseas.

Still unsolved is the problem of selecting the students most likely to benefit from higher education and it would be a trickier problem still at university level.

Selection Problem

The University Grants Committee admit that a set of examination papers is not the complete solution and stress the advantages of selecting students by a process of interviews against the background of their school reports.

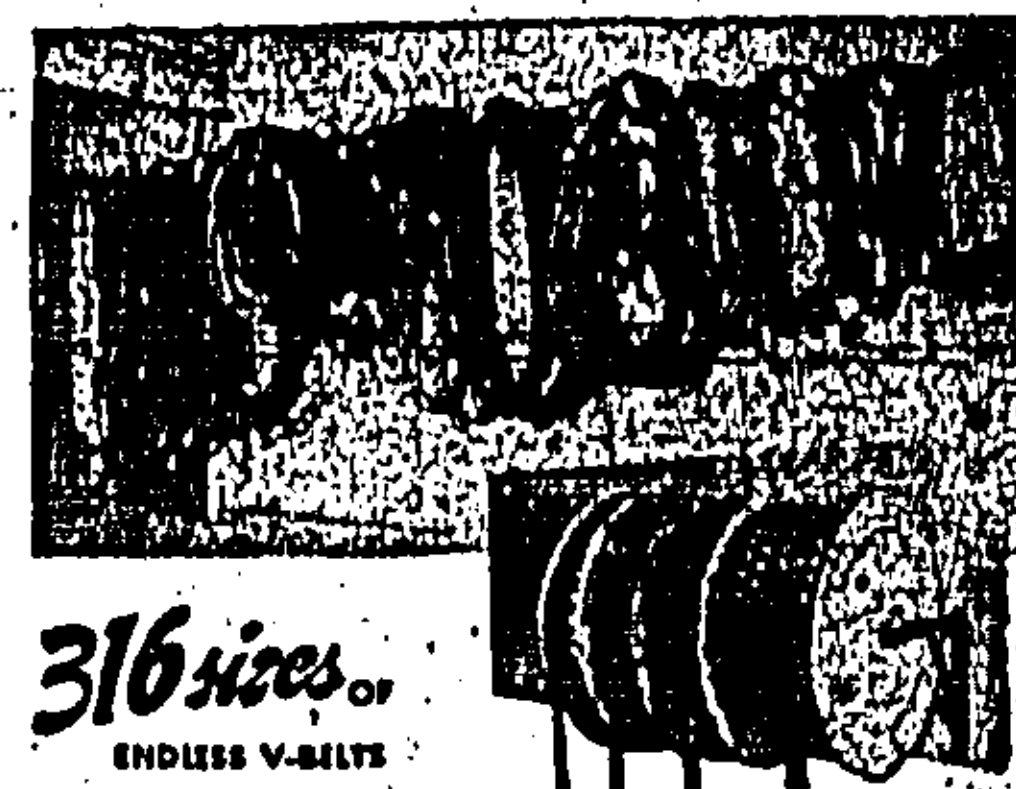
A delicate factor is that the better a student's home background, the more likely he is to benefit from higher education. But there are limitations to that, and the University Grants Committee have set a few ears burning with the present comment that it would be clearly desirable to exclude from the universities the type of youth who goes there because his people have money—"the riotously living peasant, sometimes of athletic promise, on whom university as an agency of culture makes small dint."



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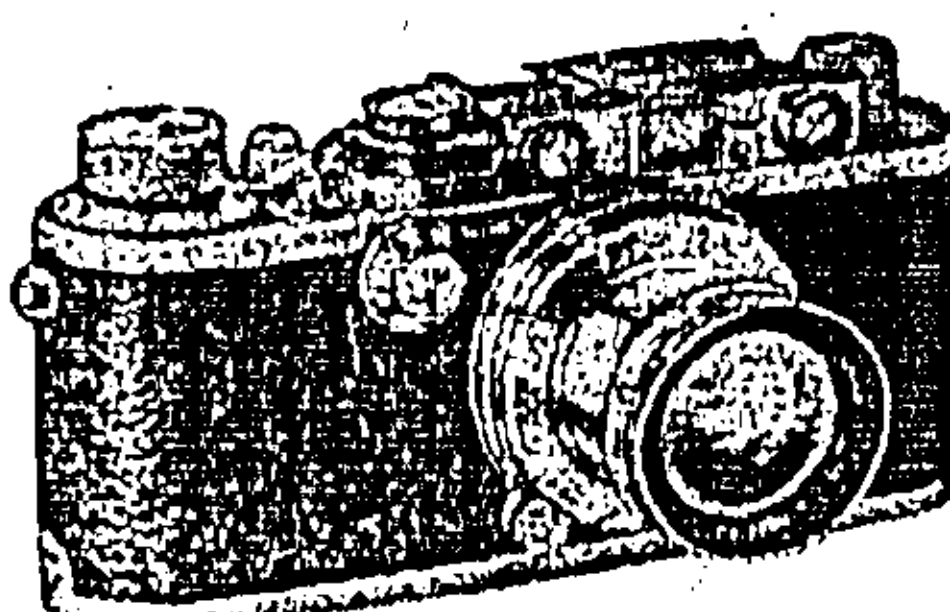
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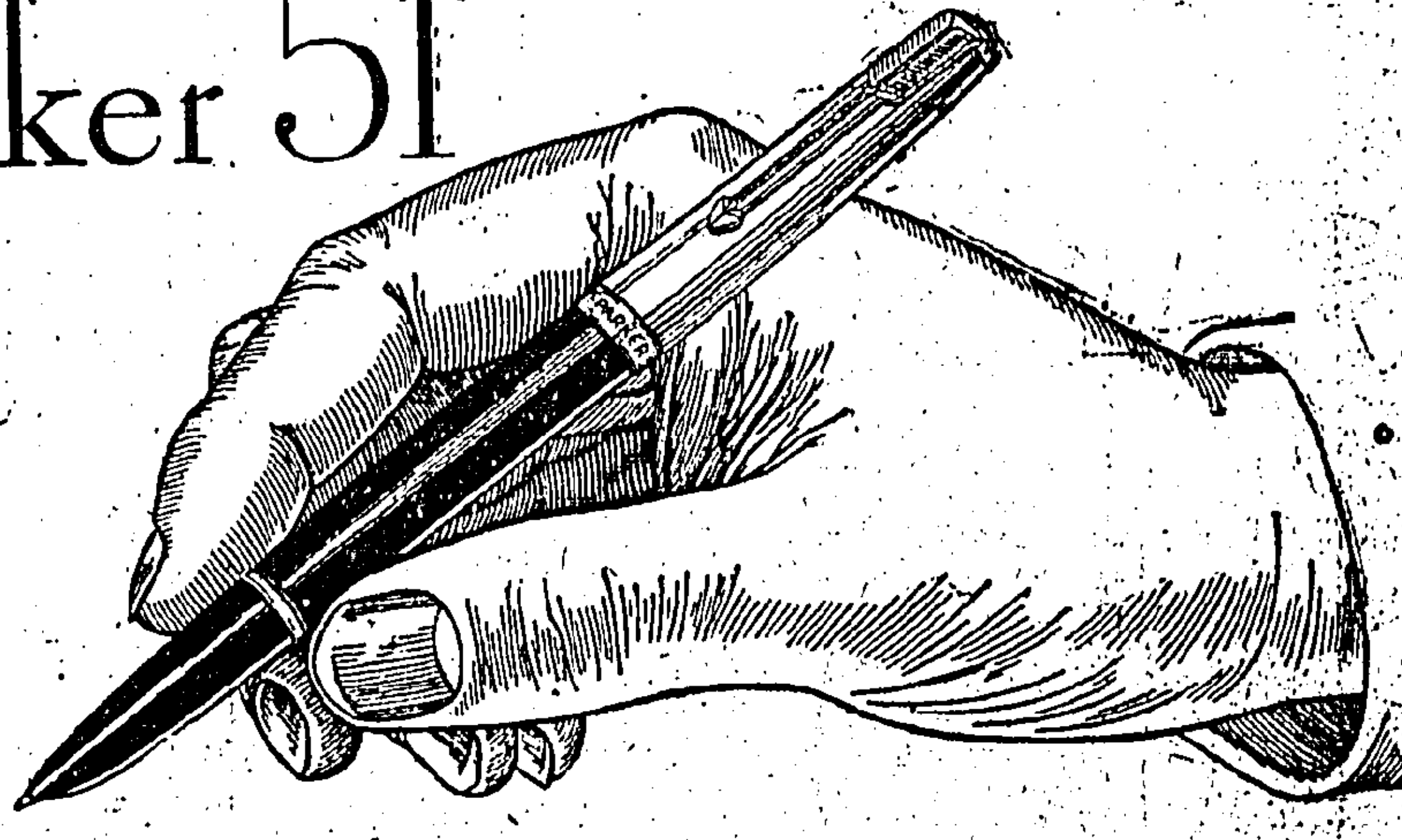
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BETWEEN OURSELVES RETURN OF THE TWO-PIECE

By JANET MARTIN

This is just the weather for the warm frock and its warmer, matching coat. The frock is just the thing for chill but sunny days... then the wind blows and on goes the top coat, giving now importance to the co-ordinated pair.

It is, I think, the popularity of the coat frock this season which has brought the dress and coat-two-piece so much into favour... for the tailored simplicity of a coat frock in woollen suiting or tweed is partnered perfectly by a coat in matching cloth.

Or the charming afternoon gown, fashioned for style rather than for warmth, takes on a new entity with the addition of a coat to match.

Coat styles favoured by Parisian designers vary from the very tailored line of Worth to Lanvin's voluminous folds. Mine, Carpenter has a delightful two-piece which would be my choice for the first Race Meeting of the season. In a springlike colour scheme of dove grey, lemon and leaf green.

The coat is of fine flannel, cut loosely, with wide bishop sleeves which can be worn full length or turned back to the elbow and secured at the neck with one huge fancy button.

Under this a frock of woollen jersey with bodice in grey to match the coat, flaring skirt in three wide bands, one grey, one lemon, one green. Accenting this unusual colour combination is a green hat with wide, turnback brim, grey suede bag and lemon doeklin gloves.

Less Formal Occasions

For less formal occasions, Jacques Griffe designs a neat frock, pencil slim, in bold tartan weave blending bright brown with russet, fawn and mist grey. It has a narrow skirt, high, round neck and regular sleeves narrowing to close fitting wrists.

Over this he puts a three-quarter length coat in fawn woollen weave, which has a casual turn-back collar, balloon sleeves and dips toward the back where it falls into broad folds. It is lined in the tartan cloth to match the dress.

From London, as always, come

the best designs in tailored tweed and, worsted, ensembles in which simplicity of line is allied with immaculate tailoring and perfect cut. A frock in fine check worsted, navy and white, has a shirt-maker bodice with bias panels, wide-pointed tailored revers and the new seven-eighths sleeves, worn with long gloves to cover the wrists. The skirt is gored in slightly flared panels with seams expressed from hip to hem.

The matching coat is in heavy navy woollen broadie, simply tailored to fit to the waist, double-breasted and with the skirt panelled to match the frock, but cut to a wider flare.

Prince Of Suitsings

Another London model in barathra, the prince of suitsings, combines beige with jet brown. The coat, in beige, has a deep collar, wide armholes and the new shelf back which is reminiscent of the storm panel on a raincoat.

The skirt is gathered beneath the belt at the back to form a deep double fold. Jet brown affords an unusual contrast for the frock, which is cut on modified Empire lines, without break from the high waistline to the hem, with narrow skirt and deep armholes similar to the coat.

It's a coat and dress season... and nothing could be more useful for the next few months than the two-piece ensemble, especially if you choose a dress that will go anywhere and give it a coat to do escort duty. For the mature figure too, the flowing lines of a well chosen two-piece are unbeatable... better, in nine cases out of ten, than any costume.



Sketched at left is a classically tailored suit in gabardine or faille, ideal for the mature woman, year in, year out. The ensemble on the right is a printed silk dress which matches the lining of the slim princess edge-to-edge coat.

Keynotes For Your Costume

By Terry Wren

The accent is on accessories for the teen agers wardrobe. Mix and match them; blend and harmonise them—there is no better way for making old clothes look fashion-perfect.

Take scarfs, for example. Quick tricks with scarfs and you can have a belt, a blouse, a stole, a turban or a decorative neckerchief.

Collect a dozen or so scarfs—square and triangle and triangles—and see how they will add sparkle to your winter coat and suits and dresses. You will find scarfs the most usable and versatile of accessories.

For a sweater or a wool blouse, make a loop tie of a scarf-square in this way. Fold the square with opposite points overlapping in the centre; then fold it in half so that the straight edges meet, forming a long narrow strip. Fold this strip in half so that the pointed ends meet.

When it is put around your neck the ends will be on one side, the fold on the other side, forming a loop. Pull the ends through the loop, spread them out, and secure them with a small pin—one of your favourite pieces of costume jewellery.

On a plain dark dress, wear a becoming scarf bow, tied like this: Fold a square with opposite points meeting. Tie it at the neckline in a square knot. Open the tie ends and fasten them at each shoulder to give the appearance of a bow.

You will find many new ways to wear scarfs as you experiment with the soft, easy-to-drape fabrics. There are new patterns—geometric, paisley, floral and figures—and new tones on tones. Taking their place in the fashion picture are tip-ups, for brightening up a neckline. An old style turned young and gay, it can tie in many ways. Here is a chance for you to use your costume jewellery to good advantage, too.

Scarfs are not the only accessory that can keynote your costume. Gloves, belts and berets all come under the head of accessories. By the way, if you haven't looked up the word in the dictionary lately, here is its correct meaning: That which contributes subordinately to an effect.

An accessory, therefore, must not outdo the dress or suit or coat with which it is worn. A fashion commentator recently advised, as a well-dressed tip, matching not more than two accessories. Gloves, then, can be the item to blend and harmonise, rather than match.

At your favourite store, after you have lingered at the scarf and costume jewellery counters, stop at bolts. You will see multicoloured shoestrings in cape, suede or fur to be brushed or left to swing free. An interesting contrast is a red suede inter-braided with tiny gold beads and tasseled at either end. Another fun-to-wear belt is a dog-leash to match or contrast with a suit. Reversible scarfs will also strike you as a good way to add a holiday touch to your best dress.

Next look at berets. This season, you'll see them in wool felt, packaged in 14 different colours and several sizes. And if you should have a green gabardine dress, personified in with a blue and-green dim plaid pocket-stole with a matching beret.

Am Temple Difference Of Age

It is said that a man should marry a woman half his age and seven years.

Surely this is too wide a gap in ages? I know several young girls who have married men 15 and 20 and more years senior. In every case the wife is lively, natural, laughing, and gay when with her own friends, and restrained and overblended and unnatural when with the husband and his friends.

Does not one partner lose something in marriage when ages are much in contrast? I cannot believe that age doesn't matter, as many now assert. T. C. M.

And yet it's a fact that it doesn't matter if the two are temperamentally compatible and have the same age of mind and spirit. The years don't of necessity subdue and disenliven. Why, there are people who don't have a chance to be truly young until they are middle-aged.

I know of very happy marriages with a wide disparity of age. In some the man is older, in some the woman. But an important reminder here. A man marrying a woman much older than himself should be nearer his 30's than his 20's.

These marriages you quote where the wives are subdued and not their young selves with their husbands could not be called fully happy. Certainly something is lost to those partners. But it isn't a loss of years. It is the absence of good companionship itself, that wonderful agreement of personalities that puts both equally at ease and at their best.

I'm completely fed up. I had to spend so much on presents that I am left with a load of worry. Everything is so terribly expensive. I just couldn't stand them rubbishy stuff that really was what I could afford.

It prompts me to ask you whether this present-giving isn't making a farce of the Christmas festival.—NETTA.

As you say—IF the emphasis is on the gift instead of on the giving.

All the grace and gladness is kicked out of the occasion if "I can't afford it" is milling round in the mind.

"It is not the skillful I give you that counts but the warmth that it carries with it from my hand."

I have to partner a woman-hater at a party and would be very grateful if you could give me a suggestion on how to deal with this situation.—A. S.

Can't think why he goes to mixed parties. Anyway—forget his advertised hates and treat him as an ordinary human being. Lay off Charm!

What happens now? Until recently I had a girl friend of whom I am very fond. She doesn't seem to know that and without the least explanation she now just ignores me. I have done everything I know to get her back.—DOWNHEARTED

Hard luck, but you should not have let her know you wanted her back. She is treating you like a worm because she thinks you are one. But wouldn't she sit up if she saw you giving the time of your life with another girl—and ignoring her?

Formal Coats For Evening

The evening coat, styled for bouffant or full gowns, appears again as a glamorous substitute for furs as formal evening wear.

Increasing numbers of social events demand adequate evening wraps, designed for warmth as well as glamour, and elegantly styled.

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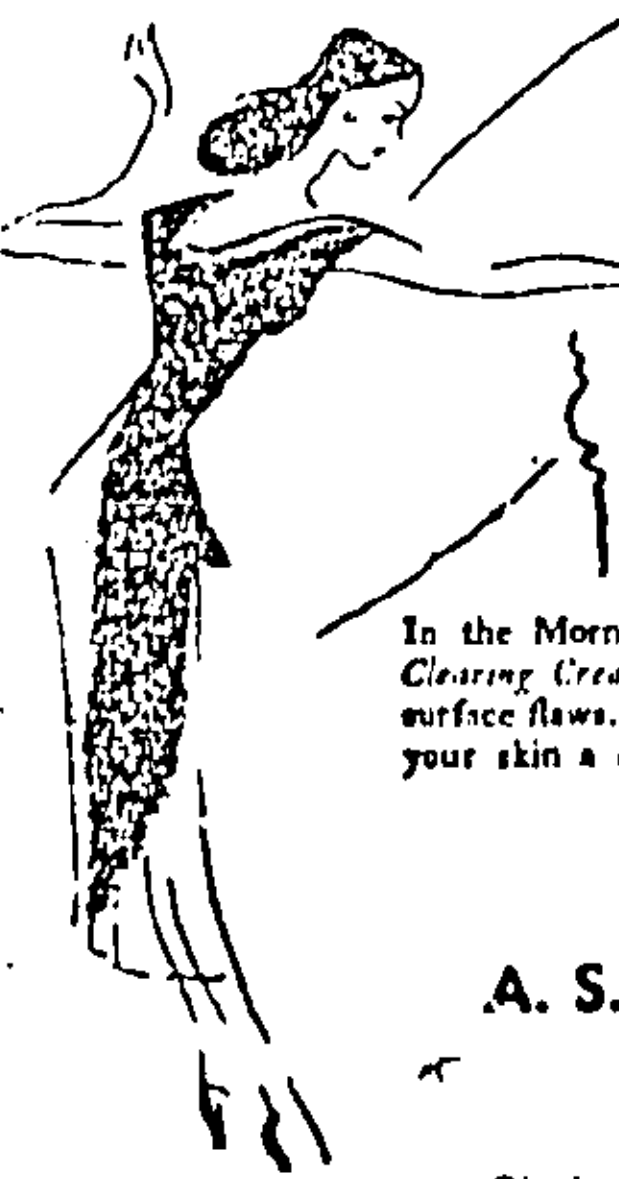
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Between Ourselves:

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NEW YEAR LOOK



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It has been a memorable year for the fashion historian, with last spring's great reversion to femininity and the weird outcrop of styles that followed.

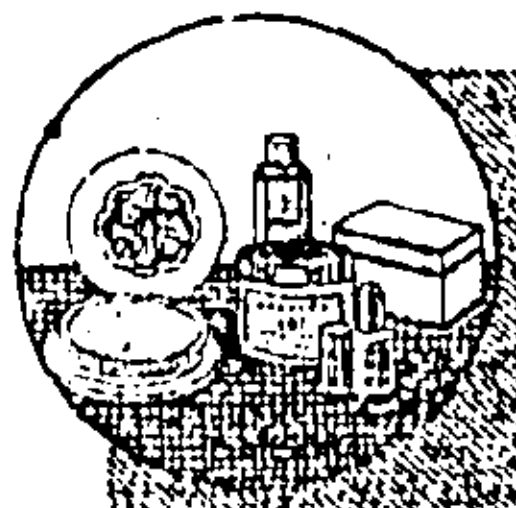
But now, by the end of the year, women everywhere have learned to discriminate between the good interpretation and the caricature.

Phyllis drawings show the 1940 Look: Slim curves below a neat "small" head, contrived by short hair and the cloche hat. All the fashionable details have been seen in the spring model, due in the shops soon.

The Empire bodice has already made big headway in English clothes. The dress sketched, in tan worsted, is styled by Lenz. A new feature in slim skirts is the "back kick" below the knee in the form of fan pleating. (See back-view sketch). Another is the fly-away back panel. The one sketched is on a suit by Susan Small.

Necklines, plain for a year, are again varied. Newest is this jagged V. The wing-backed cape is seen on a number of spring coats. Yes, you've seen it sketched before, and these other details. They are all ideas that originated in the Paris winter collections.

Joya Berg



Big Your Fingers
by Victor Manning

"Dear Mr. Manning,

My hands are rather unattractive. They are rough and dry—more so in this cold weather. In fact they do not seem to belong to me, as they look "aged" and I am only 26 and fairly attractive. I am thoroughly ashamed of them. I dream I have not given them the same care as my face. Is it too late to do anything about them?" POOR HANDS.

It is hardly ever too late to correct a wrong, provided one sincerely tries to do so.

You are not the only one who has neglected her hands. I think it can be safely asserted that nearly every woman is more fastidious about her face than

her hands. She does not seem to realize that her hands are just as much on show as her face, and they are as expressive as her eyes—they both tell tales.

A well-known writer once said, "The surest way to tell a woman's age is to look at her hands."

The unfortunate part is that, more often, uncared for hands do not reveal a woman's true age. They put her in the forties when she is actually in her thirties.

For rough, cracked or generally "run down" hands, the following treatment will be most helpful. Make it a point to wash your hands with a mild soap and fairly warm water each night before retiring. Pat them dry with a soft towel. Then massage in a liberal portion of a reliable hand cream, especially the type that contains lanolin. Leave the cream on for at least 15 to 20 minutes—better still, do not remove the cream but slip on a pair of inexpensive, loose cotton gloves and leave them on overnight.

Hand creams containing lanolin have a specially softening effect. The skin will absorb such a cream and actually nourish the sebaceous glands which have perhaps been dried out due to too much outdoor exposure or water coming into contact with the hands too often.

In the daytime use a hand lotion of some reliable make. In fact every time your hands come into contact with water, or after outdoor exposure, massage in a few drops of hand lotion into them. Make it a habit—it's a good one—and soon you will be no more ashamed of your "POOR HANDS."

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Every Woman Can Be Attractive

By CLAUDIA

Of special interest to every woman who is beauty conscious was the opening, last week, of the Elizabeth Arden Salon in Lane, Crawfords.

For the first time, Miss Arden's treatments are available here, as in other leading cities... and with them, her message to women all over the world, that every woman can be attractive.

There is really no such thing as a dull, ordinary, or uninteresting face. To the beauty expert, every face is different, each has its own character. Its own possibilities and potentialities.

The whole fascinating art of beauty culture, its care of the skin, its skilful make-up, shaping of brows and lips, arrangement of hair, is there to improve the skin and features, to enhance the good points while subduing the bad ones... to keep the face young by constant attention to skin nourishment and muscle tone.

Have you noticed how often it is the woman whom Nature has bestowed a lovely portion of fair looks who spends the most time and care on her appearance? She has been beauty conscious from a very early stage.

That is all to the good, always provided she doesn't become self-conscious about it. But the woman who has a so-called "ordinary" face is making a big mistake if she just leaves it at that and feels that nothing can be done about it.

Vivid Personality

On the other hand, the woman with a downright plain, or even ugly face, very often does do something about it... and very successfully too. A really plain face is frequently accompanied by a strong character and vivid personality; and being a woman of character, she likes to triumph over difficulties and drawbacks.

She can never be beautiful, but she can be interesting, often striking, sometimes arresting, always out of the ordinary.

It is the "in-between" faces, those which are neither beautiful nor ugly, which are all too often left to themselves. Yet with each, there is some good feature, one at least, which could be made the focal point for a new standard of beauty.

It may be beautiful hair, lovely eyes, perfect lips, or just a fine, clear skin. Your beauty consultant will help you to pick out your best points and show you how, with the choice of colour, and delicate emphasis of make-up, these can be given a subtle enhancement which will improve the appearance of the whole face.

Pleasing Results

At the same time, the effect of the not-so-good points can be toned down with equally pleasing results. A sallow skin, for instance, can be improved by special treatment, while at the same time, the choice of a warm

toned foundation will counteract the yellowish tinge. Or, by special treatments and lotions, a dull, spotty skin, which so often spoils an otherwise pleasant face, can be turned into an asset, firm and clear.

It must be remembered, though, that the transformation only begins in the beauty salon... it does not end there. The home routine of skin care is just as important... as is the art of make-up. The lily must be gilded with skill, not obliterated.

Neither does the transformation stop with the face. The figure, clothes and carriage must all receive the same careful attention and grooming. Only then can the "ordinary" woman emerge as someone charming to look at, pleasant to be with and altogether delightful to know.

Little Black Dress

The "little black dress" has become a popular favourite with many women in Britain, and some designers specializing in black gowns carefully styled, and planned to meet every occasion, for almost every purse.

As a rule they take it for granted that nothing should be needed to accent the dress except a good fur or a carefully chosen piece of jewellery, and they concentrate on a subtle trimming which will not distract the eye.

In view of the fact that the full skirt is not every woman's choice, new fashions of this kind include of good many slim frocks which, with fitted bodices, have skirts in which fullness may be provided by inverted unpressed pleats placed in groups, or by carefully cut flares.

One such model from the Debenhams (London) collection was given three fan-shaped darts at each shoulder, at the point of which was placed a bow in black velvet. On another model (by Lady in Black of London) the full skirt was vivid, this was accented by a stiffened bodice and a wide moire ribbon sash which, draped round the bodice, finished in a loop, and an end which was pulled through the bodice and rested on the skirt.

Another dress was even simpler. This, too, had a full skirt with a narrow belt, but the bodice was given dolman-shaped below-elbow sleeves, and the point of the "V" shaped neck was finished by an enormous taffeta bow.

Each of these dresses notable in that it shows the fashion trend of the moment—carefully used trimmings, simplicity of neckline, Vogue for below-elbow sleeves and the continued popularity of the small waist and wide hip-line.



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Warsaw, January 15.

Britain on Friday concluded her biggest trade deal with any Eastern European country since before the war, when a five-year pact was signed with Poland.

The treaty called for the exchange of goods to the total value of £130,000,000 on each side.

London
Stock
Exchange

London, January 14.

Two sections dominated the London Stock Exchange today—glitged and Kaffirs. Glitged moved higher on reports of substantial buying orders for long-dated stocks and although showing widespread gains on the day, finished below the best.

The Kaffir market was fairly active and opened with fresh selling during which prices moved lower. Later, however, there was a marked recovery on the appearance of cheap buyers. This buying consisted of averaging and bear covering and in some cases, earlier losses were more than recovered.

This section closed irregular with a bullish undertone. Interest in oils was centered in Anglo-Egyptian Oilfields shares, which were supported on encouraging reports concerning the oil find in the final desert. Other oil moved water in quiet trading. Industrial counters spent a quiet day with prices slightly lower. Irons, steels and breweries showed many falls of a few pence.

The foreign bond section showed quiet firmness with some inquiry for Finland issues on behalf of sinking fund operations. Foreign rails were firm with small gains in Brazilian.

MINI SHARES:

Burns Corp.	6 1/2
Crown Mines	3 1/2
London & Lancashire	1 1/2
Rand Mines	4 1/2
Reynolds	7 1/2
Shell	3 1/2
Tokio Marine	1 1/2
Under Corp.	200

OIL SHARES:

Shell Transport & Trading Co.	25 1/2
Anglo-Persian	8 1/2
Anglo-Egyptian	5 1/2
Anglo-Iranian	10 1/2
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Anglo-Siam	5 1/2

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Club Army Battle To O-O Draw

The rugby match at Soekunpo yesterday between Club and Army proved to be a most exciting affair and ended in a draw, which was a fair result.

In a curtain-raiser before this game, Royal Navy beat R.A.F. RFC in a somewhat dull and scrappy game.

Club, with the wind in their favour, were soon on the attack and J. Henderson missed narrowly with a penalty kick.

From the scrum following the missing kick, Army heeled, but the ball went into touch.

Club pressed and Franklin was all but through, his pass was picked up by Robinson, who was tackled almost on Army's line.

Wilson, with a good kick, took Army out of a difficult situation.

Club continued to attack, but could not open up in a sound Army defence. The centres, owing to very close marking, were caught in possession on many occasions.

Drown, the Army wing gained possession from a loose move and played back to the Club "25".

At this point, Army's line-out work was superior to Club's. However, having tackled nullified all attempts at breaking through.

Franklin was the only back on either side who showed any like, but poor passing and finishing spoiled many movements.

Wilson, from a free kick, awarded for a scrum infringement, took play well into the Club half, but Club forwards, with a ground rush, brought the ball right back on to the Army line.

They were, however, slow in healing and lost all chance of scoring.

Following up a neat kick ahead, de Borne caught the Army full back in possession, but Drown got back in time to save a difficult situation.

Club forwards were playing well in the loose, Warne, Forgate and Taylor being particularly prominent, but they were not having it all their own way in the tight, where the Army forwards were playing magnificently.

From the kick-off, now went into the attack and Club were fortunate to see de Borne back in time to gather a high kick ahead by Ken Wilson which he cleared.

Army left centre followed with a grand attempt at a drop kick at goal which was just wide.

Army were losing chances by running across, causing their match-winning wings to be crowded into touch. This could be traced back directly to Warne's close watching of Roberts, who was forced to part with the ball far too soon.

From the kick-off in the second half, Club went on the attack straight away but the Army defence still held—their tackling was superb.

Club were losing attacking chances by nursing the touch line too much. They should have taken every possible opportunity of upsetting the Army backs by hard, straight running when they had the ball.

Nolan, playing well at full back, gathered a neat Wilson kick ahead and returned play to centre. Now it was Army's turn and after Roberts had got his back moving, practically all of them handled the ball before Swayne was brought down almost on the line.

Lochlan Clears

Roberts was very nearly over shortly afterwards, but John Henderson pulled him down and Lochlan cleared.

Club's touch kicking was careless and many balls fell straight into the full back's hands.

D. Henderson, injured, dropped back to full back, Nolan coming in at half and J. Henderson moving to centre.

Franklin was the only back on the field who seemed capable of producing scoring chances, but was felled by an unshakable defence.

Swayne, with a good kick, took Army well into the Club half, but Roberts dropped a pass from Wilson which enabled Nolan to dribble the ball well into the Army "25".

Army forwards, not to be out-

Recreio Lose Match To Chung Wah

(By ARGONAUT)

Only six out of the 11 League fixtures were played off during the week, the rest being postponed to a later date.

The increasing number of postponements cannot but have a dampening effect on general interest in the game and their accumulation may only result in putting out of gear the whole fixture card.

Pick of the games in the Junior Men's Division was that between Recreio and Chung Wah, in which the former went down to the latter by 3 games to 6.

With this defeat Recreio's chances of surviving as one of the semi-finalists are much slimmed, though he no means entirely nullified, as the second round will still have to be gone through.

Kowloon Tong "A" now leads in Section 1 followed by University and St. Theresa's A, while in other section Chinese YMCA still remains unbeaten with Chung Wah, Recreio and Kowloon Tong "B" just in its trail.

The game itself was one of the most keenly contested so far, and for until the second but last game which the Chinese last clinched for set and match.

Chung Wah started confidently and with K. Y. Tso and Austin Ho striking their best form this season managed to lead in the first two games.

The Portuguese boys, however, came back fighting, and in irresistible moods run off with the next three games to lead 3-2.

Crucial Game

The sixth game turned out to be the crucial one for Recreio when, after leading 20-18, veteran L. Carvalho and N. Beltrao their first-ranking pair, trailed behind in the last 10 to allow Chung Wah's third pair Leo Leong and K. C. Wang to break the tape at 23-21.

After this set-back Recreio seemed to go into pieces conceding all games to their suddenly vitalised opponents.

The Y's and Kowloon Tong "A" did not have much difficulty in collecting their points from St. Theresa's B and KCC, respectively.

University's win of 6-3 over St. John's "A" did not appear to be very impressive and they will have to do better this year if they are to retain the B Division honours.

Both the Senior Men's Doubles games were postponed, and with done, took play back into the Club half after Lochlan was caught in possession.

During this period of the play, Club was undoubtedly indebted to Alex Taylor, whose superb line-out work was getting the ball from practically every line-out.

Club wings were definitely being upset by Brown and Swayne, both of whom were dangerous whenever they were in possession of the ball.

Franklin had very bad luck when he gathered a kick ahead by Henderson, only to see Robinson, to whom he passed, bundled into touch.

Brown next went hard for Club's line, but was pulled down just inside the "25".

The packs were very evenly matched, with Club forwards just on top. The halves, although changed round, were fairly even, but Army backs looked the sounder attacking combination and it was only a pity that Brown and Swayne were not given more of the ball. In defence, there was nothing in it.

ROYAL NAVY 12 PTS.
RAF-HK POLICE 8 PTS.

In a scrappy game preceding the Club v Army encounter, Royal Navy defeated RAF-HK Police by 10 points to eight.

A lively R.A.F. pack gave a weakened Navy eight a hard time. Cook was outstanding for R.A.F., his clever defensive kicking being one of the highlights of a rather dull game.

Police Raid Well Known Opium Divan

A divan that was very well known to the police was raided on Friday by Divisional Superintendent E. C. Luscombe and Sub-Inspector McLeod, when the keeper and three smokers were arrested.

Two lamps and a very small quantity of prepared opium were seized but no opium pipes were found. The reason for the absence of the pipes was given by Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans when the keeper was charged before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

The divan, at 6 Hong Lok Street, second floor, was so well known that the raiding party was divided into two parties. One, led by SI McLeod, entered the premises, while the other, under DS Luscombe, waited in the street at the rear of the house.

While waiting, DS Luscombe heard a whistling sound overhead and then the sound of something striking the roof of an adjoining house. The object was a pipe head, still warm.

Leung Fong, the keeper, was sentenced to four months' hard labour and recommended for banishment. His three clients were fined \$100 each.

Two other divans were raided by the same police officers, on the same day.

Here are the Scores:

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Recreio Maintain Record, Beat Scorpions

Interport Hockey Trial Match

The first Interport Hockey Trial will be held on the Navy No. 1 Ground at King's Park at 10.30 a.m. today.

The following players are requested to attend this trial:

REDS

Goal-keeper: S.N. Donahue (HKU)

Backs: L.S. Cannon (CS) and J.B. Alves (Rec.)

Forwards: S.A. Fowler (CS), D. Chellish (HKU), E. Fowler (CS), R.A. Marques (Rec.) and Pte. Dobson (Army).

WHITES

Goal-keeper: Capt. Rogers (Army)

Backs: Lt. Cdr. Farnshaw (RN) and GMS Webb (Army)

Forwards: J.A. Soares (Rec.), G. Gosano (Rec.), Sgt. Connolly (RAF), Lt. Cdr. Allen (RN) and B. Xavier (C & W)

RESERVES

Goal-keeper: Barretto (C & W)

Backs: A. Neary (Rec.) and T.E. Bycott (CS)

Forwards: J. Mathewson (RN) and J. Cui Byng (RN)

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Optimists Score Convincing Win Over Navy; HKU Lose

Club de Recreio successfully defended their unbeaten record at Chater Road yesterday, when they beat HKCC "Scorpions" by 27 runs in a First League cricket match.

At King's Park, HKCC "Optimists" scored a convincing win over Royal Navy, whom they beat by seven wickets.

Hong Kong University disappointed badly by going down to Army by five wickets at Soekunpoo.

Kowloon Cricket Club, who

Optimists—Navy

entertained a very strong

Cox's Road, easily accounted

for the visitors, winning by

65 runs.

Recreio—Scorpions

At Chater Road, Club de

Recreio beat HKCC "Scorpions"

by 27 runs in a First League

cricket match.

Recreio, who batted first,

knocked up 101 runs, Gary

Gosano, opening bat, hit 51

before being caught. It looked

bad for Recreio with P.M.N. da

Silva being bowled by Owen-Hughes

for two and both Prata and

Rodrigues being dismissed for

"dicks."

They came Eddie Soares, who

contributed a useful 36 which,

together with Gosano's 51, was an

important factor in Recreio's vic-

tory. Pearce was the most suc-

cessful bowler for the "Scorpions"

capturing three wickets for 22

runs.

"Scorpions" failed badly

when it came to their turn at the

wicket, the whole file being dis-

missed for 74. Owen-Hughes, who

scored 24, not out, played a good

inings for his side.

Eddie Gosano was in fine bow-

ing form, dismissing five "Scor-

pions" batsmen for 29 runs. "Scor-

pions" batsmen at one stage had four

wickets for 24, but then had an-

other 21 runs knocked off him

without any wickets falling.

RECREIO

G.N. Gosano, c. Boy, b.

Howarth, 21

P. da Silva, b. Owen-Hughes

A.M. Prata, run out

A.M. Rodrigues, b. Howarth

E.L. Gosano, b. Howarth

E. Soares, st. Hughes, b.

Howarth

A.P. Pereira, b. Pearce

N. Beltrao, c. Clague, b. Pearce

H.L. Ozorio, run out

B.T. Gosano, b. Pearce

A. Lopes, not out

Extras

Total

101

Bowling Analysis

O M R W

Howarth 13 1 4 35

Owen-Hughes 7 0 36 1

Pearce 4 0 22 3

"SCORPIONS"

L.F. Stokes, b. Pereira

O.J. Kerr, b. Gosano

T.A. Pearce, c. Beltrao, b.

Pereira

J. Richardson, c. Ozorio, b.

Pereira

J. Owen-Hughes, not out

N. Macleod, b. Pereira

D.H. Leach, b. Gosano

F. Howarth, b. Gosano

J.A. Clague, b. Gosano

R.H. Hughes, b. Gosano

G. Gee, run out

Total

74

Bowling Analysis

O M R W

Pereira 14 1 45 4

E. Gosano 13 5 29 5

Optimists—Navy

HKCC "Optimists" scored a

seven-wicket victory over the

Royal Navy in a First League

cricket game at King's Park.

Scores were:

ROYAL NAVY

White, c. and b. Smith

Mathewson, b. Mahon

Eyre, c. Kilbee, b. Smith

Grant, c. Miller, b. Smith

Theokey, c. and b. Mahon

McDonald, c. Miller, b. Smith

Fluck, b. McLelland

Gurud, b. McLelland

Taylor, c. Kilbee, b. McLelland

Farnshaw, b. McLelland

King, not out

Extras

Total

54

Bowling Analysis

O M R W

Mahon 8 1 10 2

Smith 11 2 23 4

McLelland 3 3 9 4

"OPTIMISTS"

M.M. Little, c. Mathieson, b.

White

L.E. Kilbee, b. Mathieson

E.H. Oliver, c. Garrod, b. White

W.J. Stanger, b. McDonald

K.A. Miller, retired

G.T. Howe, c. King, b. McDonald

A.S. Brown, not out

D. McLelland, retired

A.B. Smith, c. Mathieson, b.

Byng

Extras

Total

117

Bowling Analysis

O M R W

Mathieson 8 2 20 1

White 10 3 32 2

Kilbee 3 1 14 1

McDonald 2 1 10 1

Garrod 2 1 7 1

Byng 1 5 13 1

Grant 1 1 9 1

Army—University

In a First League Cricket game

at Soekunpoo, Army beat Hong

Kong University by five wickets.

HKU, who had first lease of the

wicket, were all dismissed for 47

runs. L.T. Ride was top scorer

with 22 runs. Jones took two

wickets for 10 runs.

Set 60 runs to win, Army pass-

ed their opponents' total after

losing five wickets. Banton, who

opened for Army, knocked up a

useful 26 runs.

UNIVERSITY

S.M. Teh, b. Stepto

T. Lo, b. Banton

J.M. Gosano, c. Murray-Brown

b. Banton

L.T. Ride, b. Jones

C. Huang, b. Jones

N. Lo, run out

H. Anam, not out

D. Chellish, b. Banton

D. Hanson, b. Banton

J.C. Koh, b. Banton

T.H. Lean, b. Banton

Extras

Total

67

Bowling Analysis

O M R W

Pereira 14 1 45 4

E. Gosano 13 5 29 5

School Football

The following school games will be played in the School Football League today:

SENIOR DIVISION

Yauwatt v. Tai Koo Club, 11 a.m.; Ho

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RACE 2 HK\$2,539
1st No. 2208 583
2nd " 262 217
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)
Nos. 1240, 1049, 1164, 1908, 1801.

RACE 3 HK\$2,080
1st No. 721 583
2nd " 262 217
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)
Nos. 2035, 1210, 913, 1207, 1917,
3060.

RACE 4 HK\$2,096
1st No. 1284 583
2nd " 262 217
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)
Nos. 1917, 2099, 1893, 1630, 559,
1302, 2558.

RACE 5 HK\$2,598
1st No. 2218 583
2nd " 262 217
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)
Nos. 2877, 1131, 100, 1947, 2647,
389, 979, 9, 2692.

RACE 6 HK\$3,221
1st No. 3136 583
2nd " 262 217
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)
Nos. 972, 931, 777, 3419.

RACE 7 HK\$3,254
1st No. 1230 583
2nd " 262 217
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)
Nos. 1830, 480, 3527, 3124, 464,
1628, 3223, 1535.

RACE 8 HK\$3,110
1st No. 276 583
2nd " 262 217
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)
Nos. 617, 1545, 1289, 300, 4347,
3473, 1612, 1400, 843, 1583.

RACE 9 HK\$3,872
1st No. 5334 583
2nd " 262 217
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each)
Nos. 1967, 142, 2375.

RACE 10 HK\$5,877
1st No. 6943 583
2nd " 262 217
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$200 each)
Nos. 4640, 6738, 216, 8041, 1635,
5293, 2381, 6026, 6996, 1170.

Favourites Win Nine Events

The first day of the annual races at Happy Valley yesterday was marred by an ugly accident to Mr. V. V. Needo, veteran jockey, who had to be removed in an ambulance with serious injuries to his head.

The accident occurred in the sixth race. Mr. Needo, riding Meteor, had just made one round of the course when he was heavily thrown near the one-and-a-half-mile post. Mr. H. S. Chang, on Chief Pilot, who was immediately behind was also thrown and piled on top of him. Mr. Chang, however, escaped without injury.

Favourites won nine out of the 10 events in yesterday's programme, and dividends paid out were low.

The exception was My Love, ridden by Mr. J. Pote-Hunt, in the 7th race, which came in two lengths ahead of the hot favourite, Ains and Frances, and paid the biggest win dividend of the day—155.5 to 1.

Photo Finish yesterday decided the second and third places in the sixth and seventh races. In both cases the difference was a short head.

Among distinguished visitors at the races yesterday were the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, and the Chief Commissioner of St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade Overseas, Colonel Sir James Sleeman.

Following are the results:—
Hopful Stakes
Race 1—(First Section). For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949. One mile.
1. Egyptian Field; 2. Highlight; 3. Nervous Witness; 4. Jap Hen. Won by a neck; many lengths.

Time: 1:50.4.
Parl-Mutuel Win \$20.10; Places \$5.50, \$5.40, \$10.00.
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Victoria Handicap
Race 2—(First Section). For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949. One mile.
1. King of Peace; 2. Rebel; 3. Avalon; 4. Golden Dragon.

Hopful Stakes
Race 3—(First Section). For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949. One mile.
1. Shun Fung; 2. Maniac; 3. Rowanclent; 4. Hong Kong Slutz. Won by five lengths; four lengths.

Hopful Stakes
Race 4—(Second Section). For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949. One mile.
1. Golden Dahlia; 2. V.I.P.; 3. Popularity; 4. Mystery. Won by many lengths; the same.

Hopful Stakes
Race 5—(Third Section). For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949. One mile.
1. Duchess Delight; 2. Liberty Ship; 3. First Alarm; 4. Probability. Won by many lengths; five lengths.

Fochoch Cup
Race 6—A handicap for Australian Ponies of any previous season. One and a half miles.
1. Norse Queen; 2. Fifth Alarm; 3. Ragabond Kinner; 4. Fort Knox. Won by two lengths; short head.

Hopful Stakes
Race 7—(Fourth Section). For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949. One mile.
1. My Love; 2. World Peace; 3. Ains and Frances; 4. Lady Gloucester. Won by two lengths; short head.

Hopful Stakes
Race 8—(Fifth Section). For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949. One mile.
1. My Love; 2. World Peace; 3. Ains and Frances; 4. Lady Gloucester. Won by two lengths; short head.

Hopful Stakes
Race 9—(Sixth Section). For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949. One mile.
1. My Love; 2. World Peace; 3. Ains and Frances; 4. Lady Gloucester. Won by two lengths; short head.

Hopful Stakes
Race 10—(Seventh Section). For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949. One mile.
1. My Love; 2. World Peace; 3. Ains and Frances; 4. Lady Gloucester. Won by two lengths; short head.

Hopful Stakes
Race 11—(Eighth Section). For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949. One mile.
1. My Love; 2. World Peace; 3. Ains and Frances; 4. Lady Gloucester. Won by two lengths; short head.

Hopful Stakes
Race 12—(Ninth Section). For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949. One mile.
1. My Love; 2. World Peace; 3. Ains and Frances; 4. Lady Gloucester. Won by two lengths; short head.

Hopful Stakes
Race 13—(Tenth Section). For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949. One mile.
1. My Love; 2. World Peace; 3. Ains and Frances; 4. Lady Gloucester. Won by two lengths; short head.

"Rapier" Comes Through Again